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(7A-217 To MI (Cons/mr/b/28/63))

To: SAC, Milwaukee (62-1153)

From: Director, FBI

JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI
KICKBACK RACKET ACT

ReHilet 5-16-63.

Through sources available to your office immediately ascertain discreetly whether or not Triliegi is actually employed as represented in relet and, if so, the specific position and duties involved. Determine through your sources details of the project and Government contract involved along with the identity of the Government agency furnishing construction funds.

Incorporate this information and contents of relet into a LHM. Include therein a brief documentation of Triliegi along with a statement that no further action will be taken in connection with this matter in the absence of a specific request from the USA's Office or the Criminal Division. Submit LHM by return airtel cover. Furnish LHM to USA.

Bureau should be advised promptly by appropriate communication in the event additional information concerning this matter is obtained or the USA's Office requests investigation. Such communication should include any action contemplated by your office.

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NOTE:

Triliegi was subject of top hoodlum investigation captioned "John Battista Triliegi, Aka; AR," OO: MI; Bufile 92-3193; MIfile 94-315, conducted periodically during the period January, 1958, through November, 1962. Triliegi's past criminal activity consists primarily of gambling and burglary (FBI number 1368580). The top hoodlum case has been in closed status since 11-30-62 inasmuch as no information was developed concerning Triliegi being engaged in any criminal activity.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/16/63

FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (62-1153) (C)

SUBJECT: JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI
KICKBACK RACKET ACT

BORN Omaha, Nebraska on May 29, 1914

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Re Bureau File 92-3198.

On May 14, 1963, [] an employee of the U. S. Marshal's Office, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, advised that on the previous day, May 13, 1963, she received an anonymous telephone call from an individual whom she could only describe as having a voice which sounded like that of a Negro male. [] stated that this unknown individual, who would not identify himself, stated that JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI, a foreman at the Wood, Wisconsin Veterans Administration Center, is shaking down employees working for him. She stated that the caller indicated TRILIEGI demanded 30% of the employees' earnings and the caller further indicated that he could obtain a job working at the VA Center on a construction job there if he would pay TRILIEGI \$25 per week as a result of his hiring him.

[] stated that she tried to get the caller to reveal his name or to come down to the United States Attorney's Office, but that the person would not agree.

On May 15, 1963, the above-mentioned allegation was discussed with USA JAMES B. BRENNAN, EDW, Milwaukee, at which time Mr. BRENNAN stated that he desired no investigation whatever be conducted at this time. USA BRENNAN felt that if TRILIEGI or anyone else was shaking down employees at the construction job any inquiry based on the non-specific allegation would interfere with the receipt of a specific complaint at a later date. Mr. BRENNAN stated that in keeping with Departmental regulations he was so advising the Department.

Accordingly, no inquiry is being conducted by the Milwaukee Office at this time, and this matter is being considered closed.

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Date: May 28, 1963

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (62-1153)

SUBJECT: JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI
KICKBACK RACKET ACT

Re Milwaukee letter dated 5/16/63, and
Bureau airtel to Milwaukee dated 5/23/63.

Enclosed herewith is an original letterhead memorandum and three copies on the above captioned individual. A copy of this memorandum has also been made available to the United States Attorneys Office at Milwaukee in keeping with Bureau instructions.

For the Bureau's information, the source contacted on May 27, 1963 by SA WARREN J. KENNEY was [redacted]

The background information concerning Triliegi was obtained from a review of Milwaukee file 94-315, which is Bureau file 92-3198.

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Approved: [Signature]

Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Milwaukee, Wisconsin
May 28, 1963

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. MI 62-1153

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KICKBACK RACKET ACT

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On May 15, 1963 the above mentioned allegation was discussed with United States Attorney, James B. Brennan, EDW, Milwaukee, at which time Mr. Brennan stated that he desired no investigation be conducted at this time. USA Brennan felt that if Trillegi or anyone else was shaking down employees at the construction job any inquiry based on the non-specific allegation would interfere with the receipt of a specific complaint at a later date.

On May 27, 1963, a source advised that John Battista Trillegi is presently employed and has been so employed since July 2, 1962, as a labor foreman for

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JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI
KICKBACK RACKET ACT

Merritt, Chapman and Scott Corporation, who is the general contractor under contract V1006C-530, project 48-5147. This source states that the contract provides for the construction of a 1,264 bed, general medicine and surgery hospital, and a regional office medical clinic at the Veterans Administration Center, Wood, Wisconsin. The project commenced June 25, 1962 and is 16 and 9/10 per cent completed.

This source advised that Trillegi, who is paid \$3.42 per hour, is one of five labor foremen, and that the duties of Trillegi and other labor foremen include the placing of concrete and compacted fill, the receiving and unloading of general construction materials, and subject to the approval of the project superintendent, of Merritt, Chapman and Scott, the hiring of laborers. This source indicated that there are presently 60 laborers on the job and that Trillegi has about 12 laborers under his supervision.

John Battista Trillegi, FBI Identification Number 1 868 580, was born in Omaha, Nebraska on May 29, 1914 and has been arrested on charges of statutory rape, inmate gambling house, and was sentenced to a term of one to five years on a charge of burglary in the daytime to the Nevada State Prison on September 2, 1952 for his role in the theft of approximately \$500,000.00 in currency and jewelry from the residence of [redacted] on September 29, 1952. Since his release from the Nevada State Prison in 1954, he has been engaged almost continually in the occupation of a labor foreman on various construction jobs in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where he presently resides with his wife and eight children. Trillegi has an eighth grade education and is a member of the General Construction Laborers Union, Local 113, AF of L.

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No further action will be taken in connection with this matter in the absence of a request from the United States Attorneys Office or the Criminal Division of the Department.

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To: SAC, Milwaukee (62-1153)
From: Director, FBI (63-8468) - 3

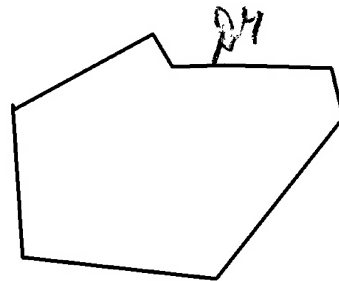
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ReMIairtel 6/20/63.

Information contained in reairtel concerning the United States Attorney's request for investigation along with a brief summary of any investigation conducted to date based thereon should be incorporated into a letterhead memorandum and submitted by return airtel cover.

Investigation should be handled on an immediate and continuous basis until completed. A report containing results of completed investigation should be submitted to reach the Bureau within onemonth. In event circumstances prevent this, advise Bureau by that time of reasons, and earliest possible date by which report can be submitted.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (63-8468)
FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (62-1153) (P)
SUBJECT: JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI
KICKBACK RACKET ACT

Re Buairtel 5/23/63 and Milwaukee airtel 5/28/63
in the captioned matter.

For the Bureau's further information this is to advise that by letter dated June 12, 1963 USA JAMES B. BRENNAN, advised that his office had received a letter dated June 7, 1963 from [redacted] Chief, Fraud Section, Criminal Division, Department of Justice, directing that investigation of the above matter be made.

On June 13, 1963 [redacted] voluntarily appeared at the Milwaukee Office and in a signed statement advised that he was employed on [redacted] at the Veterans' Administration, Wood, Wisconsin [redacted]

In view of Mr. BRENNAN's request an investigation is being instituted and all of the employees presently under TRILIEGI's jurisdiction as well as those employees who have left during the fall and winter of 1962 will be interviewed.

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Approved: Paul H. Stettin Sent 6/21/63 M Per STANAK
Special Agent in Charge

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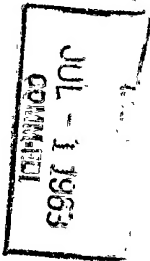
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JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI
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OO: MILWAUKEE

ReMilairtel dated 6/27/63.

For your information Congressman Clement J. Zablocki, Wisconsin, by letter dated 6/27/63 requested the Bureau to advise him of the facts of our investigation into alleged unusual hiring practices in the construction of a Veterans Administration Hospital in Wisconsin. The Congressman has been advised that we are conducting inquiry in captioned case.

By return airtel advise the Bureau of the earliest date by which you expect a report containing results of completed investigation can be submitted. Keep the Bureau advised by appropriate communication of all pertinent developments in this matter.

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Subject: JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI
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Enclosed herewith is an original letterhead memorandum and three copies relative to the captioned matter.

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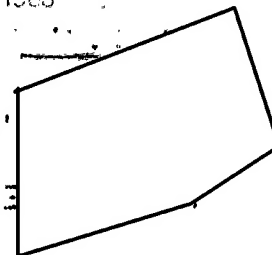
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

June 27, 1963

JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI
KICKBACK RACKET ACT

By letter dated June 12, 1963, United States Attorney James B. Brennan, Eastern District of Wisconsin, by letter advised that his office had received a letter dated June 7, 1963, from [redacted] Fraud Section, Criminal Division, Department of Justice, directing that an investigation of the above matter be made. Accordingly, Mr. Brennan requested that a complete and comprehensive investigation, including but not limited to the questioning of the laborers under Triliegi's supervision, be made.

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On June 13, 1963, [redacted] from [redacted] voluntarily appeared in the Milwaukee Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and furnished the following signed statement:

"June 13, 1963
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

[redacted] make the following free and voluntary statement to [redacted] who has identified himself to me as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. No threats or promises have been made to me to make this statement.

"I was born on [redacted] I have received a high school education.

"At the present time I am employed [redacted] for Merritt, Chapman and Scott Construction Co., New York, New York, at the construction site of the new Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wis. I started my employment there on [redacted]

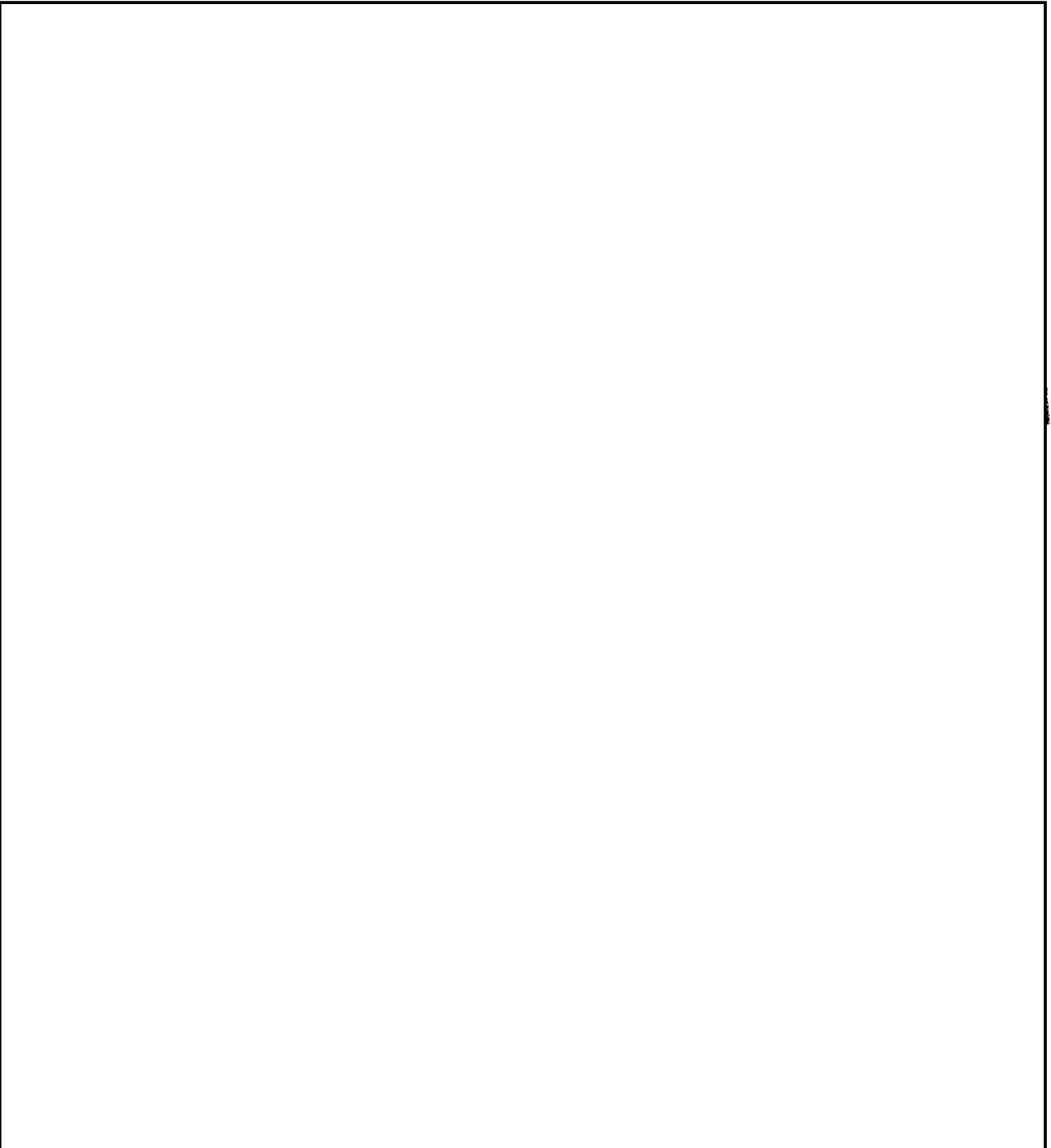
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"About three weeks prior to this date I had been going to the construction site early in the morning in hopes of getting hired without any success. On the morning of [redacted] an individual I have known for the past [redacted] Sam Di Maggio, approached me and said 'I see you have been here for the past several weeks and John hasn't put you on yet.' I believe and now know that DiMaggio was referring to John Triliegi whom I know as a boss on this construction job. After telling DiMaggio that I needed a job he told me, 'Look around, I'll see what I can do for you.' About one hour later (7:45 a.m.) DiMaggio returned and [redacted]

[redacted]

"During part of this conversation [redacted]

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"I left my job shortly after this incident, explaining to my boss that I was not feeling well. On my way home I took care of some personal business in the downtown section of Milwaukee and by chance I met my attorney [redacted]

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[redacted] As I did not know what to do about this new obligation I explained to him the situation that was occurring with DiMaggio and Trilliegi.
[redacted]

"I have read the above three page statement and find it to be true & correct.
[redacted]

"Witness:

[redacted] SA, FBI, Milwaukee, Wis., 6/13/63
[redacted] SA, FBI, Milwaukee, Wis., 6/13/63."

On June 20, 1963, [redacted] Merritt, Chapman and Scott Corporation, advised that John Battista Trilliegi as General Labor Foreman on the project has approximately sixty laborers under his direct supervision and that since the project started in June of 1962 had supervision over approximately ten additional laborers who are no longer employed there.

Accordingly, all of these individuals are being interviewed concerning their knowledge of the Subject's activities, and investigation to date reflects that approximately forty of these individuals have been interviewed with negative results.

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

Construction Firm to Aid FBI Probe of Pay-Off Charges

Company Says It
Doesn't Know of
Kickbacks on
Wood Job

An official of Merritt-Chapman & Scott Corp. said Friday that the construction firm would co-operate with the FBI "to the fullest extent" in the investigation of alleged pay-offs required of laborers on the new veterans' hospital project at Wood.

H. R. Erickson, industrial relations manager of the New York firm, said:

"We are not aware of anything of the sort, nor has it ever been brought to our attention. We would certainly be favorable toward co-operating with the FBI to the fullest extent to clear this matter up."

"We will be just as interested in it as the FBI is until it is either proven or disproven."

Merritt-Chapman & Scott is general contractor for the \$23,500,000 project.

Erickson came here from New York city after the FBI confirmed Thursday that it was investigating complaints that some laborers had to pay up to \$50 to get jobs on the hospital project and \$25 a week to keep them.

It is a federal offense for anyone to obtain pay-offs from a worker employed on a project financed in whole or in part by the federal government. Offenses are punishable by five years imprisonment or a \$5,000 fine or both.

The outgoing president of local 113 of the laborers' union, Peter Pobereznny, also said he had not heard any complaints from members about being asked for pay-offs.

"If there has been any such payment, the man who received it should be in the penitentiary," Pobereznny said. "Our union does not allow such a thing."

I am sure our new regime will look into it."

Max Waisman, who defeated Pobereznny in a recent election, will take office Monday.

Pobereznny said about 25% of the laborers on the hospital job were hired from a referral list supplied by the union to the contractor. The others are selected from groups of men who go to the project looking for work, he said.

He said there had been much complaining about alleged favoritism in hiring. He attributed this to the men's disappointment at not being chosen.

"This is a two year project with steady work," he said. "You don't hear many complaints about men not being hired for seasonal work like the highway projects."

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B1-Milwaukee Journal

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Date: 6/28/63
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Editor: Lindsay Hoben

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JOHN BATISTA TRILIEGE
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New VA Hospital Workers Questioned on 'Kickbacks'

FBI Enters Investigation at Wood Site

Checks Report Some Paid \$50 to Get Jobs, \$25 a Week to Keep Them

Complaints that laborers have had to pay up to \$50 to get jobs on the new veterans' administration hospital project at Wood are under investigation by the FBI.

Federal agents have been interviewing the laborers since Monday. In all, about 70 men were expected to be questioned.

The investigation was confirmed Thursday by Paul H. Stoddard, special agent in charge of the Milwaukee FBI office. He said his agents were investigating "to determine if a federal violation exists."

Stoddard refused to comment or give the name of complainant and other details while the investigation was in progress.

Reportedly, construction laborers complained that they had to pay up to \$50 to get their jobs and then pay an additional \$25 a week to stay on the payroll.

Largest in Country

The new 1,264 bed hospital will be a 10 story, H-shaped structure fronting on W. National av. between S. 49th and S. 50th sts., east of the present hospital. It is being built at a cost of \$23,500,000 and will be the largest single VA hospital in the country when completed in 1964.

The general contractor is Merritt Chapman & Scott, Corp., New York.

Inspector Harold A. Breier said Thursday that the Milwaukee police department sometime ago received information that an ex-convict was working on the Wood construction project. He said the police received no reports of pay-offs.

"We conducted an investigation and found no violation of the law," he said. "We turned the matter over to the FBI."

Complaints of Favoritism

Spokesmen for the building contractor and for local 113 of the laborers' union have confirmed that some ex-convicts and known hoodlums were employed as laborers on the project.

There have been numerous complaints of favoritism in the hiring of laborers. The company spokesman said he had no complaint about the caliber of laborers supplied for the job. He said the firm did not discriminate against a man because of a criminal record if he did his work well.

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To: DIRECTOR, FBI (63-8468)

From: SAC, MILWAUKEE (62-1153) (P)

Subject: JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI
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Re Bureau airtel, 7/1/63.

For the Bureau's information, approximately 12 workmen remain to be interviewed, after which JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI and SAM DI MAGGIO will be interviewed. A report reflecting completed investigation will go forward July 22, 1963. The Bureau will be kept advised of any pertinent developments.

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CLEMENT J. ZABLOCKI
4TH DISTRICT, WISCONSIN

COMMITTEE ON
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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.
June 27, 1963

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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Office of the Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I am informed that the FBI, Milwaukee Office, is investigating complaints of unusual hiring practices in the construction of the Veterans Administration Hospital -- specifically, that a fee was charged for consideration of employment and kickbacks from salaries.

Understandably, I am deeply interested in knowing the facts on this matter, and would appreciate a report on the matter from you as soon as possible.

With best wishes, I am

John Battista ^{OTRILIEGI} Yours sincerely,

Clement J. Zablocki
CLEMENT J. ZABLOCKI
Member of Congress

cc: FBI, Milwaukee

MEMO - ROSEN - BELMONT 6/28/63
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CORRESPONDENCE

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont *✓*

FROM : A. Rosen *✓*

SUBJECT: JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI
KICKBACK RACKET ACT

DATE: June 28, 1963

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This is to advise that Congressman Clement J. Zablocki (Democrat-Wisconsin) by letter of 6/27/63 requested to be advised of facts of our investigation into alleged unusual hiring practices in construction of a Veterans Administration hospital, Wood, Wisconsin.

We do have a pending case concerning the matter inquired into by Congressman Zablocki. U. S. Attorney James B. Brennan, Milwaukee, by letter 6/12/63 requested Bureau investigation of allegations that Triliegi was shaking down employees by requiring payment to him of hiring fees and weekly kickbacks from salaries. Triliegi is employed as a labor foreman for Merritt, Chapman and Scott Corporation, the general contractor constructing the Veterans Administration Hospital at Wood, Wisconsin. Federal funds are being used to finance the project. Such practice could constitute violation of the Kickback Racket Act which prohibits receipt of any part of the compensation of an employee engaged in construction financed with Federal funds, induced by force, intimidation, or threat of dismissal.

Our investigation involves interviews of those employees who have been under Triliegi's supervision since the construction commenced in June, 1962. At the present time there are approximately sixty laborers on the job, many of whom are under Triliegi's supervision. This investigation is being expedited.

Triliegi, subject of FBI Identification Record 1868580, has been arrested in the past on charges of Statutory Rape, Inmate of a Gambling House and Burglary. He was released from imprisonment at the Nevada State Prison in 1954 after serving a sentence in connection with a burglary at Reno, Nevada, in 1952.

Bureau relations with Congressman Zablocki have been friendly and there is no derogatory information in our files concerning him.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Assistant Director DeLoach's office personally contact Congressman Zablocki in order to give him an oral briefing concerning this case. Assistant Director DeLoach concurs in this action.

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MILWAUKEE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MILWAUKEE	DATE 7/22/63	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 5/14/63 - 7/18/63
TITLE OF CASE CHANGED SAMUEL SALVATORE DI MAGGIO; JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI		REPORT MADE BY SA WARREN J. KENNEY	TYPED BY jb
		CHARACTER OF CASE KICKBACK RACKET ACT	

The title of this report is being marked changed to include the addition of Subject SAMUEL SALVATORE DI MAGGIO. 50

REFERENCES

Milwaukee letter to Bureau dated 5/16/63;
 Bureau airtel to Milwaukee dated 5/23/63;
 Milwaukee airtel to Bureau dated 5/28/63;
 Milwaukee airtel to Bureau dated 6/20/63;
 Bureau airtel to Milwaukee dated 6/24/63;
 Milwaukee airtel to Bureau dated 6/27/63;
 Bureau airtel to Milwaukee dated 7/1/63;
 Milwaukee airtel to Bureau dated 7/3/63.

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Report of: SA WARREN J. KENNEY
Date: July 22, 1963

Office: MILWAUKEE

Field Office File #: MI 62-1153

Bureau File #: 63-8468

Title: SAMUEL SALVATORE DI MAGGIO;
JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI

Character: KICKBACK RACKET ACT

Synopsis:

On 5/14/63 [redacted] an employee of the U.S. Marshal's Office, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, advised that on the previous day she received an anonymous telephone call to the effect that JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI, a foreman at the Veterans Administration Center, Wood, Wisconsin, was shaking down employees by demanding [redacted]

[redacted] On 5/27/63 [redacted]

[redacted] advised TRILIEGI has been employed as a Labor Foreman since 7/2/62 by Merritt, Chapman and Scott Corporation of New York, the general contractor under Contract V1006C-530, Project 48-5147, providing for the construction of a 1.264 bed hospital and clinic. On 6/20/63 [redacted] FBI # [redacted]

[redacted] in a signed Statement related that [redacted]

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approximately 60 general laborers and 10 former laborers are or have been under TRILIEGI's supervision. [] TRILIEGI, considers him an excellent foreman and that no complaints concerning TRILIEGI have been brought to his attention. [] states he has full responsibility as to when and the number of laborers hired and that all laborers are hired through referrals by Local 113 of the General Construction Laborers Union, AF of L. [] states he has heard nothing concerning alleged kickbacks. Seventy laborers or former laborers under TRILIEGI's supervision interviewed and all state they have not paid TRILIEGI or anyone else to obtain job or stay on job although some relate they heard rumors concerning alleged payments for jobs. JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI, FBI # 1868580, denies that he has ever received kickbacks from anyone or that SAM DI MAGGIO collected from anyone for him. SAMUEL SALVATORE DI MAGGIO, FBI # 972204, a Wisconsin State Prison parolee, denies that he approached anyone in his own, TRILIEGI's or anyone else's behalf regarding job payoffs.

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DETAILS: At Milwaukee, Wisconsin

This investigation is predicated upon the request of U.S. Attorney JAMES B. BRENNAN, Eastern District of Wisconsin, dated June 12, 1963, who advised that [] Chief, Fraud Section, Criminal Division, Department of Justice, had directed that an investigation be conducted. Previously on May 14, 1963 [] an employee of the U.S. Marshal's Office, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, advised that on the previous day, May 13, 1963, she received an anonymous telephone call from an individual whom she could only describe as having a voice which sounded like that of a Negro male. [] who made this information available to Special Agent L. G. BROCKMAN, stated that this unknown individual, who

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would not identify himself, stated that JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI, a foreman at the Wood, Wisconsin Veterans Administration Center, is shaking down employees working for him. [] stated that the caller indicated that TRILIEGI demanded 30% of the employees' earnings, and the caller indicated that he could have obtained a job working at the Veterans Administration Center on a construction job there if he would pay TRILIEGI \$25 per week as a result of his hiring him. [] stated that she tried to get the caller to reveal his name but he would not do so.

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On May 27, 1963 []

[] advised that JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI was presently employed and has been so employed since July 2, 1962 as a labor foreman for Merritt, Chapman and Scott Corporation of New York, who is the general contractor under Contract V1006C-530, Project 48-5147. [] stated that the contract provides for the construction of a 1,264 bed, general medicine and surgery hospital and a Regional Office Medical Clinic at the Veterans Administration Center, Wood, Wisconsin, and that the project commenced on June 25, 1962 and was 16-9/10% completed. [] advised that TRILIEGI who is paid \$3.42 per hour, is one of five labor foremen, and that the duties of TRILIEGI and other labor foremen include the placing of concrete and compacted fill, the receiving and unloading of general construction materials, and subject to the approval of the Project Superintendent, the hiring of laborers. [] stated that there are approximately 60 laborers presently on the job and that TRILIEGI had about 12 laborers under his supervision. [] stated that all of the funds furnished for this project under the contract are furnished by the Veterans Administration.

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Date June 20, 1963

[redacted] residence [redacted]
appeared in the Milwaukee Office and furnished the following
signed statement:

"June 13, 1963
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

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"I, [redacted] make the following free and
voluntary statement to [redacted] who has
identified himself to me as a Special Agent of the
Federal Bureau of Investigation. No threats or
promises have been made to me to make this statement.

"I was born on [redacted] I
have received a high school education.

"At the present time I am employed as a [redacted]
[redacted] for Merritt, Chapman and Scott Construction
Co., New York, New York, at the construction site of
the new Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wis.
I started my employment there on [redacted]

"About three weeks prior to this date I had been
going to the construction site early in the morning
in hopes of getting hired without any success. On
the morning of [redacted] an individual I have
known for the past [redacted] Sam Di Maggio, approached
me and said "I see you have been here for the past
several weeks and John hasn't put you on yet." I
believe and now know that Di Maggio was referring to
John Trillegi whom I know as a boss on this construction
job. After telling Di Maggio that I needed a job he
told me, "Look around, I'll see what I can do for you."

[redacted]

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"During part of this conversation



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"I left my job shortly after this incident, explaining to my boss that I was not feeling well. On my way home I took care of some personal business in the downtown section of Milwaukee and by chance I met my

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attorney [redacted]

[redacted] As I did not know what to do about this new obligation I explained to him the situation that was occurring with Di Maggio and Trilliegi.

[redacted]

"I have read the above three page statement and find it to be true & correct.

"/s/ [redacted]

"Witness:

[redacted] SA, FBI, Milwaukee, Wis., 6/13/63.
[redacted] SA, FBI, Milwaukee, Wis., 6/13/63."

[redacted] advised that he did not have any more direct knowledge of any other individuals who were working at the construction site of the new hospital at Wood, Wisconsin but stated that conversations with a [redacted] and a [redacted] indicate they possibly have made payoffs to obtain a job at this construction site and possibly paid an additional fee to obtain this job. It is believed that [redacted] is on

[redacted]

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resides with his wife at [redacted] Another individual possibly involved in the kickback from his wages is a section foreman by the name of [redacted] (LNU).

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Records of the Milwaukee Police Department as made available
July 3, 1963, reflect that [redacted] born [redacted]
[redacted] Milwaukee Police Department Number [redacted]

[redacted] The records reflect that [redacted]
FBI Number [redacted] was received at the Wisconsin State Prison
on [redacted]

[redacted] and that he is eligible for
final discharge on [redacted] The records further re-
flect that [redacted] was arrested [redacted]

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[redacted] Merritt, Chapman and Scott Corporation, advised that he hired JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI as the General Labor Foreman on the construction site and that he considers TRILIEGI to be an excellent foreman. [redacted] stated that there are four other labor foremen in the employ of Merritt, Chapman and Scott but TRILIEGI is the only foreman who hires labor under the supervision of [redacted] or [redacted]

[redacted] stated that all hiring of labor is done through an arrangement with Local 113 of the General Construction Laborers Union, AF of L. [redacted] stated that laborers seeking employment at the site are usually referred from the union headquarters with a slip indicating they are eligible for hiring. [redacted] stated that it would be customary for these laborers to report to [redacted] but he in turn would refer them to TRILIEGI who actually would do the hiring after [redacted] instructed TRILIEGI as to the needs for labor for that particular day. [redacted] stated that he has received no complaints relative to kickbacks and he has received no complaints whatsoever concerning TRILIEGI's performance on the job. He stated that TRILIEGI is presently being paid at the rate of \$3.57 per hour and that including overtime TRILIEGI averages about \$200 per week.

[redacted] made available the names and addresses of all laborers employed on the job by Merritt, Chapman and Scott, as well as those laborers who for one reason or another had left the job since the job began.

On 6/20/63 at Wood, Wisconsin File # MI 62-1153
by SAs WARREN J. KENNEY
and [redacted] /jb Date dictated 6/26/63

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[redacted] advised that he was born in [redacted] on [redacted] and he entered the United States on [redacted] under Alien Registration No. [redacted]. [redacted] stated that for the past [redacted] he has been employed as a laborer at the Veterans Administration by the Merritt, Chapman and Scott Corporation, and that he obtained this job through a referral of Local 113 of the General Laborers' Union.

[redacted] stated he has never paid anyone to obtain his job as a laborer and that he is not paying anyone to stay on the job. He stated he does know JOHN TRILIEGI, the general foreman, but that TRILIEGI has never contacted him concerning any payment in connection with his job and likewise he has not been contacted by SAM DIMAGGIO.

On June 25, 1963 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 62-1153

by SA [redacted] and
SA WARREN J. KENNEY/ef Date dictated 7/1/63

Date July 5, 1963

Mr. SALVATORE BALISTRERI, 3426 North Downer Avenue, Milwaukee, advised that he was born April 14, 1899 in Sicily, and is employed as a laborer by Merritt, Chapman, and Scott at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin. He has been on this job since October, 1962. He stated that he got this job as a result of waiting in line daily.

He said that prior to that time, he had worked for Seisel Construction Company for a period of 17 years.

BALISTRERI advised that he is a member of local Laborers Union 113 and does know JOHN TRILIEGI and SAM DI MAGGIO. He stated, however, that he made no payments to get his job and has not made any payments to keep his job, nor has he been approached to do so.

On 6/24/63 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 62-1153
by SAs JOHN T. DUNN and [redacted] /ah Date dictated 6/28/63

-1-Date July 2, 1963

[redacted] was contacted at his home, at which time he advised that he was employed as a laborer at a project being built at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin, the contractor being Merritt, Chapman and Scott. He advised that he had been working there for approximately [redacted] and that at the termination of this day's work he had been advised that he would not be needed the next day. [redacted] advised that [redacted] [redacted] during the regular session and that this is only a summer employment for him.

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He stated that he has never paid anyone in order to obtain a job and that he did not pay JOHN TRILIEGI or anyone else at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin. He also said that he has never been asked to pay for his employment.

On 6/24/63 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 62-1153
by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] /jb Date dictated 6/26/63

-1-Date June 29, 1963

[redacted] was contacted at his home at which time he advised that he was employed at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin, on a job contracted by Merritt, Chapman and Scott and had been employed since [redacted]. He stated that he had obtained his job at that project through a friend of his, [redacted] who had talked to JOHN TRILIEGI who did the actual hiring.

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[redacted] advised that he did not pay anyone in order to obtain this job, and stated that if TRILIEGI were causing people to kick back money to him in order to get or keep their jobs, he would not do it to him but might be able to influence some of the foreigners who were employed there and would not know the loss. He stated that he had been in the construction business for too many years to be taken in in that manner.

On 6/25/63 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 62-1153
by SA [redacted] and
SA [redacted] /cef/jb Date dictated 6/27/63

Date July 19, 1963

[redacted] advised SAs [redacted] and [redacted] that he had been employed by Merritt Chapman and Scott in the construction of the Veterans Administration Hospital at Wood, Wisconsin for approximately [redacted] Prior to this employment [redacted] had been engaged in the [redacted] approximately [redacted] years. [redacted] stated that he secured his job with Merritt Chapman and Scott through [redacted] who is a [redacted] for Merritt Chapman and Scott and who has been a personal friend of [redacted] for many years. [redacted] stated that he became a member of the labor union and reported directly to [redacted] and was put to work by [redacted] [redacted] stated that he did not know JOHN TRILIEGI or SAM DI MAGGIO. [redacted] stated further that he did not pay money to anyone to obtain his job with Merritt Chapman and Scott and is not paying money to anyone in order to keep his position with Merritt Chapman and Scott. He also advised that no one has ever requested such payment from him.

On 7/18/63 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 62-1153
by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] Date dictated 7/19/63

Date 6/25/63

[redacted]
advised that he is presently employed by the Merritt Chapman and Scott Corp., working on a new addition of the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin. He advised that he obtained his job through the union, waiting approximately one month. He stated that he did not pay any money to get his job, has not paid any money to continue working on the job and has never been approached for payments of this type.

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On 6/24/63 at MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN File # G2-1155

by SAs RUSSELL D. JONES
and [redacted] /jah Date dictated 6/25/63

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[redacted] Milwaukee, advised that he was born [redacted] and is employed as a laborer by Merritt, Chapman, and Scott at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin. He said that he has been on the job since [redacted]

[redacted] stated that he is a member of local Laborers Union 113 and got this job through the union and JOHN TRIILEGI. He stated that he knows SAM DI MAGGIO, but not too well. He stated that he has made no payments to anyone in order to get his job or keep it. He said he knows of no one who has made payments to keep his job. He further stated that he thought there might be some discrimination in the hiring of Italian laborers, but this has no relation to the kickback of payments.

On 6/25/63 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 62-1153

by SAs JOHN T. DUNN and [redacted] /ah Date dictated 6/28/63

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[redacted] advised that he is employed as a laborer for Meritt, Chapman & Scott at the Veterans Administration hospital project and that he has been so employed since [redacted]. He stated that he obtained the job through JOHN TRILIEGI, Construction Foreman, for Meritt, Chapman & Scott whom he has known for a considerable period of time in the construction industry. [redacted] advised that he has not been forced to pay JOHN TRILIEGI or anyone else any amount of money to obtain his job or is it necessary for him to pay anyone any money to keep his position.

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by SAs [redacted] & [redacted] Date dictated 6/28/63
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Date June 29, 1963

[redacted] was contacted at his home at which time he advised that he was employed as a laborer at a project being built at the Veteran's Administration Hospital, Woods, Wisconsin, the contractor being Merritt, Chapman and Scott. He stated that he had been attempting to get a job at that site for approximately six months, when he finally was put on the roles [redacted]

He stated that in order to obtain a job there it was necessary to appear at the hospital each morning and be ready to go to work if there would be a vacancy available. He stated that the individual who was in charge of hiring employees was JOHN TRILEIGI.

[redacted] stated that he had never paid anyone in order to obtain a job and did not pay JOHN TRILEIGI nor anyone else at the Veteran's Administration Hospital, Woods, Wisconsin. He further advised that he felt certain that if anyone at the job was trying to obtain money from the employees in order to give them a job, he stated that the union would take steps to correct this situation.

[redacted] advised that he is [redacted] years of age and has been in the contracting business for [redacted] years in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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Date June 27, 1963

[redacted] Wisconsin, advised that he formerly worked for Merritt, Chapman and Scott at the construction site of the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin. He said he was hired by [redacted] Business Agent of Local 113 of the Laborer's Union, AFL. He simply appeared at the union hall and [redacted] recognized him as an experienced labor foreman, and so hired him for the job at Wood, Wisconsin.

When [redacted] appeared on the job, however, the general labor foreman, JOHN TRILIEGI, told him that he [redacted] could not hire men and that, instead, TRILIEGI himself would do all the hiring. TRILIEGI told him simply "to maintain the men."

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As a result, [redacted] never hired anyone there except one person, a friend of his, [redacted] That had been done with TRILIEGI's assent.

[redacted] and TRILIEGI belonged to the same car pool for several months. In that pool there also had been two sons-in-law of TRILIEGI, [redacted] and [redacted] as well as TRILIEGI's son, [redacted] and another man, SAM DI MAGGIO.

During the autumn or early winter of 1962 a man named [redacted] and SAM DI MAGGIO got into trouble with the Milwaukee Police over some bad checks. [redacted] at least, was arrested, and although DI MAGGIO was not in the car pool at that time, TRILIEGI told those who still were left in the pool, that he needed \$250.00 to get SAM out of police trouble. TRILIEGI said [redacted] would give \$100 and he himself would give him another \$100 and the pool should furnish the remaining \$50.00.

[redacted] however, had not made any contribution to the DI MAGGIO fund, which TRILIEGI at first said needed to be given to DI MAGGIO's lawyer and then later said would have to be given to DI MAGGIO's probation officer.

[redacted] had personal difficulties with TRILIEGI. [redacted] found TRILIEGI uninformed about blueprints and inexperienced

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in connection with construction work. Actually, when [] was hired, [] had hired him as the [] position and given [] of a certain group of men.

Finally, the difficulties between the two men reached a climax and one day a superintendent at Merritt, Chapman and Scott, [] fired [] He said the reason for the dismissal was that []

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TRILIEGI supported [] on the charge and [] denied it.

[] took his complaint of a false accusation against himself before the union filing charges both against TRILIEGI and [] The dismissal, however, was upheld by the Chief Superintendent of Merritt, Chapman and Scott, [] who told [] that he had no intentions of being told how to run his business.

Currently, [] has filed suit against TRILIEGI and [] trying to recover in court his damaged reputation and means of livelihood.

[] said he had heard "rumors" that some Merritt, Chapman and Scott laborers were "paying off" some of the foremen, but he said he could not identify the sources of those rumors.

[] emphasized that he himself did not pay anyone to get or keep his job and was never approached by anyone to do so.

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Date June 28, 1963

[redacted]
[redacted] Wisconsin, advised that [redacted] formerly
[redacted] at Merritt, Chapman and Scott, hired him.
[redacted] was his friend, and [redacted] worked, as a
laborer, at the Veterans Administration Hospital construc-
tion site, Wood, Wisconsin for several months until [redacted]
[redacted] when he was laid off.

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[redacted] said he did not know why he was laid off. There
seemed to be plenty of work on the job. He presumed the
layoff came because JOHN TRILIEGI, the general labor foreman,
disliked his friend, [redacted]

[redacted] said he was born [redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] said he had heard various rumors, probably at the
labor union hall, that several of the laborers at Wood were
"kicking back" part of their wages to TRILIEGI or others as
part payment for getting their jobs there or for keeping them.
He said he could not be specific, however, about who pre-
cisely made those complaints.

[redacted] did remember one occasion when six or seven of
the men were gathered together at the labor shanty, a shanty
where they changed clothes. One of the men present was a man
whose surname was [redacted] He was an ex-convict.

On that occasion, there was general talk about the fact that
some of the men gave back parts of their checks to somebody
on the job and [redacted] said he was doing that, but [redacted]
laughed while he said it and could have been joking and he
did not specify to whom he was making his pay backs.

The incident occurred about one month before [redacted] was
laid off.

The only other person who might have heard [redacted] make the
remark was one [redacted] who was present at that time. The
others there [redacted] could not remember.

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[] said that the men were generally afraid of TRILIEGI and [] because they had "records."

[] and his friend, [] belonged to a car pool with JOHN TRILIEGI and TRILIEGI's sons-in-law and his son, []. Another man who worked at Wood and was a member of the car pool for awhile was SAM DI MAGGIO.

Approximately in the late fall of 1962, SAM DI MAGGIO and a man named [] who also worked at Wood, got into trouble with Milwaukee Police about some bad checks. DI MAGGIO did not belong to the car pool then, but TRILIEGI did and TRILIEGI told the pool that SAM needed \$250.00 to get him out of trouble. TRILIEGI added that [] the union's business agent, would give SAM \$100 that he, TRILIEGI, would give \$100, and that the pool should furnish the other \$50.00.

[] said that he himself would personally give \$10.00 in cash to SAM as a result of TRILIEGI's assertions.

When he did so, he did not tell SAM why he was giving him the money and SAM accepted the money without making any comment.

[] emphasized that he himself did not pay anyone to get or keep his job and was never approached by anyone to do so.

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[redacted] Milwaukee, advised he is currently employed with the Merritt Chapman and Scott Corp., and working on the new addition of the Veterans Administration Hospital at Wood, Wisconsin. [redacted]

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[redacted] advised he obtained this job through his father, [redacted] on this project. He

advised he did not pay to obtain this job, has not made any payments to remain on the job, and has never been approached for any payments of this type.

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by SAs RUSSELL D. JONES
and [redacted] /jah Date dictated 6/23/63

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Date July 3, 1963

ERNEST ANTHONY CHRISTIAN, 1023 West National Avenue, advised that he was born November 19, 1905, at Rhinelander, Wisconsin, and has belonged to Local 113 of the General Laborers' Union for many years. CHRISTIAN stated that he has been employed as a laborer by Merritt, Chapman and Scott at Wood, Wisconsin, for the past [redacted] and that he works under the supervision of [redacted]. CHRISTIAN stated he was employed by JOHN TRILIEGI, the general foreman on the job, after he, CHRISTIAN, showed up two or three times at the job site in an attempt to gain employment. CHRISTIAN stated he talked to union business agent [redacted] who talked to JOHN TRILIEGI in his behalf and that TRILIEGI saw him waiting to be hired and told CHRISTIAN to report on the next day. CHRISTIAN stated emphatically that he paid no one to get the job and that no one has asked him for any payment of any kind relative to his obtaining or retaining his employment on the Veterans Administration job.

CHRISTIAN stated he knows SAM DiMAGGIO by sight and that while DiMAGGIO is working on the job he has never observed DiMAGGIO soliciting money from anyone on the job.

CHRISTIAN stated he is an Army veteran and would not hold still for anyone shaking him down to obtain a job or to stay on any job, and stated that he would immediately advise appropriate authorities if he were ever contacted by anyone with such intentions.

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by SA [redacted] and
SA WARREN J. KENNEY/ef Date dictated 6/23/63

Date July 5, 1963

[redacted] advised that he has been employed in the construction business as a laborer for approximately [redacted] years and has been a member of the construction workers union that long. He advised that he has been employed with Meritt, Chapman & Scott at the Veterans Administration Hospital since approximately [redacted] and that he obtained his position through contacting JOHN TRILIEGI the Construction Foreman, whom he has known since 1955. He advised that he has not been forced to pay JOHN TRILIEGI any money nor has he paid anyone else any money in order to obtain his position. [redacted] further stated that it is not necessary for him to pay anyone any amount of money out of his regular pay check in order to keep his position.

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[redacted]
[redacted] was interviewed through his son [redacted]
[redacted] age [redacted] of the same address.

[redacted] advised that he had been in the U.S. approximately [redacted] and that he has worked for Meritt, Chapman & Scott Construction Company at Wood, Wisconsin for approximately [redacted]. He advised that prior to getting the job he joined the local construction union and one month after that he obtained the job through the union. He cannot recall the person who hired him on the job as there are several bosses.

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He advised that he has paid no one any money to obtain the job nor has been approached to do so. He further stated that he has paid no money to keep the job nor has been approached to do so. He has not heard of any other employees either paying or being approached to pay in regard to his employment.

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by SAs [redacted] & [redacted] /sbt Date dictated 7/1/63

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date July 2, 1963

advised as follows:

He went to work for Merritt Chapman and Scott Construction Company, Wood, Wisconsin, [redacted] having been hired by JOHN TRILIEGI as a result of appearing daily on the site of the job until he was hired. He was not approached for payment for obtaining his job nor to maintain his job. However, he has heard that payoffs have been occurring. He stated that a [redacted] named [redacted] (LNU) quit supposedly because of the payoffs. The way he hears it is that JOHN TRILIEGI propositions the fellows for payments and SAM DI MAGGIO does the collection work. However, he has no personal knowledge of anyone making payoffs. TRILIEGI imports friends from Italy to work on the job and these may be the parties who are making the payoffs, inasmuch as some of these people, not speaking English, have obtained jobs immediately upon entering the United States, Milwaukee.

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by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] Date dictated 6/27/63

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[redacted] advised that he is presently employed by the Merritt Chapman and Scott Corp., working on the Veterans Administration Hospital at Wood, Wisconsin. [redacted] stated that he obtained his present job through the union and advised that he did not pay anything to obtain the job, has not paid anything to remain on the job and, further, he was never approached by anyone for payments in this regard.

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On 6/24/63 at MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN File # 62-1153

by SAs RUSSELL D. JONES
and [redacted] /jah Date dictated 6/25/63

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Date July 16, 1963

[redacted] was contacted at his place of employment, Contractors Merritt, Chapman, and Scott, where they are constructing at Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin.

[redacted] advised that he had started to work as a laborer at the Veterans Administration Hospital in [redacted]. He stated that he had attempted to obtain a job several times at the job site but was not able to be placed on the rolls until he had obtained a slip from the Local Laborers Union, Local 113, and taken it to the job. He advised that his direct foreman, [redacted] (LNU) took him to JOHN TRILIEGI, who signed the slip, and he started to work.

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[redacted] stated that he did not pay any money to obtain this job, nor was he requested to do so by anyone, and he has not paid anyone money to keep it.

[redacted] stated that he had been in [redacted] doing construction work there for the past [redacted] years, but he had been born in Milwaukee and knew quite a few people in this area. He stated that he had not joined the Labor Union here but had transferred his membership from [redacted]

On 7/15/63 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 62-1153

by SA [redacted]
SA(A) [redacted] /sve Date dictated 7/16/63

Date July 5, 1963

Mr. MANUEL DUARTE, 719 East Knapp Street, advised that he was born January 1, 1903 in Ponta Del Gada Azores and is employed as a laborer by Herritt, Chapman, and Scott at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin. He stated that he has been so employed since November, 1962.

DUARTE stated that he is a member of local Laborers Union 113, and stated that he got his present job through [redacted]

DUARTE stated that he does know JOHN TRILIEGI and, in fact, rides to work with him every day. He also knows SAM DI MAGGIO. He stated that he made no payments to anyone to get his job and has made no payments to anyone since in order to keep his job. He stated that he knows of no other employees who have been asked to make such payments. He said that one time, the [redacted] on the job, a man by the name of [redacted] kidded DUARTE about his kickback payment, but DUARTE stated that this was merely in a joking way and that was the only reference he has ever heard made to kickback.

DUARTE stated that he received his U.S. citizenship in 1942.

On 6/24/63 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 62-1153

by SAs JOHN T. DUNN and [redacted] Date dictated 6/28/63

Date 6/23/63

[redacted]
advised that he is presently employed by the Merritt Chapman and Scott Corp., working on the new addition of the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin. He stated that he obtained his job through the union and he did not pay to get his job, nor has he paid anything to retain his job. [redacted] stated that since being on this job, no one has approached him concerning the payments of any money.

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On 6/24/63 at MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN File # 62-1153

by SAs RUSSELL D. JONES
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Date July 3, 1963

[redacted]
[redacted] Wisconsin, advised that he is currently employed at Merritt-Chapman and Scott on construction of the Veterans Administration Hospital, Woods, Wisconsin. He was a laborer there, having been hired [redacted]

[redacted] said he obtained his job through the services of JOHN TRILIEGI, the general labor foreman whom he had known since 1938 when he [redacted] TRILIEGI had not asked for "a kickback" nor "a payback" of [redacted] pay to him or anyone else in recompense for the job and [redacted] had made no arrangements of that kind for keeping the job with anybody.

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[redacted] confessed he had heard "rumors" for a long time that such "kickbacks" occurred on the part of several laborers who belonged to Local Union 113, Building Laborers Union. He remembered he heard such rumors while he worked as a laborer on the construction of the Marine Plaza a year or two ago, at the union hall when small gatherings of men informally discussed their jobs and perhaps on other occasions. But he said he did not recall the identities of those persons who initiated those "rumors."

[redacted] said he understood the union's business agent, [redacted] [redacted] had "checked on the rumors" and found there was nothing to them.

In any case, [redacted] said, he himself had never paid anyone to get or keep his job and no one had ever approached him with such a request.

On 6/24/63 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 62-1153

by SAs [redacted] & [redacted] /lmp Date dictated 6/27/63

Date July 2, 1963

[redacted] advised as follows:

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He has worked for the Merritt Chapman and Scott Construction Company, Wood, Wisconsin, for approximately [redacted] now. He was hired by JOHN TRILIEGI as a result of appearing on the job daily until he was hired. He has never been approached for monetary favors for obtaining his job or to retain his job. However, he has heard rumors to the effect that such has occurred.

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by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] Date dictated 6/27/63
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June 27, 1963

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[redacted]
advised that in [redacted] he completed his freshman
year at the [redacted]

Approximately at the end of [redacted] he obtained employment
as a laborer for Merritt, Chapman and Scott at the
construction site at the Veteran's Administration Hospital,
Woods, Wisconsin. He said that to pave the way for obtain-
ing employment there his mother spoke to a woman friend
of the [redacted]

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[redacted] who then talked to [redacted]
Merritt, Chapman and Scott, on behalf of [redacted]
[redacted] understood that [redacted] instructed the
labor foreman to hire him.

[redacted] said no one had approached him suggesting that
he pay back part of his wages to any of the men at Merritt,
Chapman and Scott either in return for getting his job or
as payment to keep his job. He said he had not heard from
other employees at work that anyone had ever been so
approached or that such a thing occurred at all there.

He said he was working solely for the summer at Merritt,
Chapman and Scott.

On 6-25-63 at [redacted] File # 62-1153

by SA [redacted] /cef Date dictated 6-26-63

Date July 3, 1963

[redacted]
[redacted] Wisconsin, advised that formerly he worked as a laborer on the construction of the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin, roughly [redacted] to [redacted] a period which included an approximate month's layoff in February due to the extremely cold weather. He had quit the job, however, for his current employment, one which he was more thoroughly acquainted with.

[redacted] said he obtained the job for Merritt-Chapman and Scott at the Veterans Administration Hospital by going to the union hall. He was a union member and one of the business agents there told him to go to the Veterans Administration site and speak to JOHN TRILIEGI.

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[redacted] did so and TRILIEGI gave him a job. [redacted] had known TRILIEGI years ago when the two of them were students at Lincoln High School, Milwaukee.

[redacted] said he knew nothing whatever about anyone's "paying back" to any labor foreman or to anyone else part of the Merritt-Chapman and Scott wages to get or hold a job there. He himself certainly had not done that, he said.

He admitted having heard "rumors" to that effect, however, particularly in the months prior to the opening of the work at the Veterans Administration Hospital construction. He said he could not identify the source of those rumors.

On 6/24/63 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 62-1153

by SAs [redacted] & [redacted] /lmp Date dictated 6/27/63

Date July 5, 1963

[redacted]
[redacted]
Wisconsin, advised that he was born [redacted]
that he is employed as a laborer by Merritt, Chapman, and
Scott at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin.
He has worked on this job since [redacted] He stated that
he got this job with the help of [redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] is a member of Local Laborers Union 113 and stated
that he does not know JOHN TRILIEGI or SAM DI MAGGIO. He
further stated that he has made no payments to either get
or keep his job, that he has not been approached to do so,
and that he knows of no one who has been so approached.

He stated that he has been in the United States for a period
of [redacted]

He gave this information with the aid of his brother, [redacted]
[redacted] who acted as interpreter.

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by SAs JOHN T. DUNN and [redacted] /ah Date dictated 6/28/63

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[redacted] advised that he was born [redacted] and that he has been a member of Local 113 for approximately [redacted] stated that for the past [redacted] he has been working as a laborer for Merritt, Chapman and Scott at the construction site at the Veterans Administration Center, Wood, Wisconsin, and that he was hired for the job by JOHN TRILIEGI. [redacted] stated that he obtained the job by contacting Business Agent [redacted] of Local 113, whom he has known for the past [redacted] He stated that he paid no one to get the job and that he is paying no one to stay on the job. He stated that he had previously worked under TRILIEGI's supervision [redacted] [redacted] job in downtown Milwaukee and that he is also acquainted with SAM DI MAGGIO in that he has observed him working on the job. [redacted] stated that while he heard rumors to the effect that TRILIEGI was collecting payments for placing men on the job he knows of no such individuals and he has no information whatsoever as to the activities of TRILIEGI or DI MAGGIO with respect to kickbacks. [redacted] said that he has been a laborer all his life and that he would not hold still for anyone making him pay for the right to work and that he just can't believe that anyone would be silly enough to pay off anyone to work on construction. [redacted] stated that he would be willing to testify in this matter.

On 6/24/63 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 62-1153
by SAs WARREN J. KENNEY
and [redacted] /jb Date dictated 6/28/63

Date 6/25/63

[redacted] advised he is currently working at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin for the Merritt Chapman and Scott Corp. He stated he obtained this job through his union, which union he has been a member of for [redacted] advised he did not pay any money to get the job, and has not paid any money to retain the job. He further advised he has not been approached or asked to pay money to anyone in this regard.

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Date July 3, 1963

[redacted] advised that he was born on [redacted] Wisconsin, and that he is regularly enrolled [redacted]

[redacted] stated that through the efforts of his father, [redacted] he obtained summer employment with Merritt, Chapman and Scott as a laborer on the new hospital for the Veterans Administration at Wood, Wisconsin. [redacted] stated that his father contacted a friend in the construction industry; namely, [redacted] in his behalf, and [redacted] suggested that [redacted] be contacted. As a result of this contact [redacted] started to work as a laborer on the job on [redacted]

[redacted] stated that he paid no one to obtain this summer job and that he is not paying anyone to stay on the job. He stated he has never been contacted by JOHN TRILIEGI, his foreman, nor anyone else concerning any payments in connection with his employment.

[redacted] stated that he has not heard any rumors on the job indicating that others are paying TRILIEGI or anyone else to stay on the job.

On 6/24/63 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 62-1153
by SA [redacted] and
SA WARREN J. KENNEY/ef Date dictated 6/28/63

Date July 3, 1963

[redacted] advised as follows: .

He is presently employed by the Merritt Chapman and Scott Construction Company, Wood, Wisconsin. At no time has he been approached for payment for obtaining his job or to keep his job. However, he has heard that kickbacks are occurring but he has no personal knowledge of anyone who has made any such payments.

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Date July 5, 1963

[redacted]
advised as follows:

He is currently employed with Merritt, Chapman, and Scott as a construction worker at the Veterans Administration Hospital at Wood, Wisconsin. He has held this position for several months and had, in fact, been employed by the labor foreman, JOHN TRILIEGI. He stated that he has worked for TRILIEGI in the past, having been employed as a construction worker on the Marine Plaza Building in downtown Milwaukee.

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He stated that he has heard some rumors to the effect that pay-offs or kickbacks have been made by construction workers to TRILIEGI, the labor foreman. This information, however, has been hearsay in nature; and he has received no information as to who has paid for or kicked back part of his salary to TRILIEGI or any of his associates.

[redacted] stated that it is his observation that if such a practice is prevalent, it is possibly carried on by the recent Italian immigrants to this country or some of the colored laborers who have had difficulties in locating jobs in the Milwaukee area.

[redacted] stated that he has been associated with TRILIEGI for a number of years and because of this association was able to obtain a job at the Veterans Administration hospital. He said that TRILIEGI asked for no money when he gave him the job and has made no subsequent requests for money to make sure that [redacted] retains his present position.

On 6/25/63 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 62-1153
by SAS [redacted] and [redacted] Date dictated 7/1/63
[redacted] /ah

Date July 5, 1963

[redacted] advised that he was born [redacted] Wisconsin, and that he graduated early in June from [redacted]. [redacted] stated that for the past three weeks he has been employed as a laborer by Merritt, Chapman and Scott on the construction job at the Veterans Administration grounds at Wood, Wisconsin, where he works under foreman [redacted]. [redacted] stated he intends to enter [redacted] and that in order to pay for his education he contacted his uncle, [redacted] who has been in the construction business in the Milwaukee area most of his lifetime, and that his uncle promised he would help him get a job.

[redacted] stated after speaking with his uncle he was told to contact JOHN TRILIEGI, the general foreman for Merritt, Chapman and Scott, which he did late in [redacted] and at TRILIEGI's suggestion he returned the next day and was put on as a laborer.

[redacted] stated that he has not paid TRILIEGI, SAM DiMAGGIO or anyone else for getting the job and he is not paying anyone to stay on the job. [redacted] stated in fact he has never been contacted by anyone concerning any job payments whatever. He stated within the last day or two he heard rumors among the workmen that the FBI was checking on alleged payoffs on the job, but that he knows nothing whatever concerning the matter.

On 6/25/63 at [redacted] File # MI 62-1153
by SA [redacted] and
SA WARREN J. KENNEY/ef Date dictated 7/1/63

Date July 2, 1963

[redacted] Wisconsin,
furnished the following information:

He has been employed by Merritt Chapman and Scott Construction Company, Wood, Wisconsin, since [redacted] of this year. He was hired as a result of appearing daily at the job until hired by JOHN TRILLIEMI. He did not pay any money for the obtaining of his job nor has he paid any money since to hold his job, nor has he been approached for any such favors. However, he has heard rumors to the effect that "kickbacks" may be occurring. It is his opinion that the workers of the Italian descent may be paying kickbacks if anyone is.

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by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] Date dictated 6/27/63
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Date July 5, 1963

[redacted] advised that he has been employed for Meritt, Chapman & Scott on the Veterans Administration Hospital project since [redacted] and that he obtained this position through JOHN TRILLIEGI the Construction Foreman. He advised that he has known TRILLIEGI from other construction projects on which he and TRILLIEGI worked together and that he has not been forced to pay JOHN TRILLIEGI any amount of money to obtain his present position and he does not have to pay TRILLIEGI or anyone else any amount of money to keep his position.

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by SAs [redacted] 3 [redacted] Date dictated 6/28/63
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July 5, 1963

Date

[redacted] advised that he was born [redacted] and is employed as a laborer by Merritt, Chapman, and Scott at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin. He said he has been working on this job since [redacted] and that prior to this, he worked on the Marine Plaza Bank Building, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

[redacted] stated that he is a member of local Laborers Union 113 and that he got his present job through JOHN TRILIEGI. He said that he knows SAM DI MAGGIO, and described him as a good fellow and a good worker. He stated that he made no payments to get or keep his job and that he has never been approached to do so. He advised that he does not know of anyone who has made such payments or who was asked to do so.

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Milwaukee, Wisconsin

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On SAS JOHN T. DUNN and at [redacted] File # [redacted]
by [redacted] /ah Date dictated 6/28/63

Date July 9, 1963

[redacted] advised he was born [redacted] at [redacted] and presently resides with his father, [redacted] said that he is normally employed as a common laborer, but has been unemployed since [redacted]

[redacted] said that early in [redacted] he appeared daily at the Wood, Wisconsin Veterans Administration Hospital project seeking employment. He further stated that early in [redacted] he was hired by JOHN TRILIEGI as a laborer for Merritt, Chapman and Scott where he worked for approximately [redacted] He said that he was laid off right before Christmas and has not worked since. He said that he is a member of Local 113 of the General Laborers' Union and pays dues, but denied he paid anyone to secure his job at the Veterans Administration Hospital project. He said further that he has not heard anyone saying they paid for jobs on the project.

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On 6/27/63 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 62-1153

by SA [redacted] /ef Date dictated 7/3/63

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[redacted] was contacted at his home, at which time he advised that he is employed as a factory worker at [redacted] in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He stated that while on vacation from [redacted] during the third week of [redacted] he had gone to work as a laborer at the Veterans Administration Hospital which is being built at Wood, Wisconsin by contractor Merritt, Chapman and Scott.

He advised that he had obtained his job for that week through JOHN TRILIEGI, who has been a friend of his for some years. He stated that he had worked for him in several other places and at the Marine Plaza for one week two years ago. He further stated that he went fishing last year with TRILIEGI and [redacted] at Merritt, Chapman and Scott and are quite friendly.

[redacted] advised that he did not have to pay TRILIEGI any money in order to obtain a job at the hospital for his one week while he was on vacation.

On 7/2/63 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 62-1153
by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] /jb Date dictated 7/8/63

Date July 3, 1963

[redacted] advised that he was employed as a laborer by Merritt, Chapman and Scott from mid [redacted] until [redacted] who was born [redacted] stated that he lost [redacted]

[redacted] advised that prior to getting the job in [redacted]

[redacted] He stated that his sister, [redacted] was instrumental in obtaining employment for him. [redacted] stated that his sister contacted a friend of hers who in turn contacted JOHN TRILIEGI, who hired [redacted] stated that neither he nor his sister paid TRILIEGI or anyone else for obtaining the job, and that he paid no one for staying on the job.

[redacted] stated that his foreman on the job was one [redacted] and he had never actually worked for JOHN TRILIEGI. [redacted] stated that he knows of no one presently employed on the job at the Veterans Administration Center who paid anyone to get his job and that he heard of no rumors to the effect that anyone was paying to obtain or retain their jobs at Wood, Wisconsin.

[redacted] stated that his sister's interest in obtaining a job for him stemmed from the fact that he was sentenced to [redacted]

[redacted] He stated he knows that his sister did not pay anyone to get him the job at Wood, Wisconsin.

On 6/24/63 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 62-1153
by SA [redacted] and
SA WARREN J. KENNEY/ef Date dictated 6/28/63

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[redacted] advised
that he was born on [redacted]

He advised that he has worked for the Meritt, Chapman & Scott Construction Company at Wood, Wisconsin for approximately [redacted]. He further stated that he works as a carpenter's helper and has been a member of the Construction Laborers Union, Local 113 for [redacted]. He advised that he had been out of a job for approximately eight months and had been trying to get a job at Wood, Wisconsin several times a week during that eight months. He stated that finally a friend of his, [redacted] who is a [redacted] [redacted] persuaded JOHN TRILIEGI, the general foreman, to hire him.

He advised that he has paid no money to obtain this job, nor to keep it, nor has been approached to do so.

He stated that he has heard some rumors to the effect that some persons have so paid to obtain the job and feels there is something definitely wrong because on this particular job the general foreman refused to hire experienced and trained workers who were members of the union and in stead hired unexperienced nonmembers such as Italian immigrants who had just come into the country and could not speak a word of English and this to him does not make sense unless there was something crooked regarding the hiring.

On 6/25/63 at [redacted] File # MI 62-1153
by SAs [redacted] & [redacted] /sbt Date dictated 7/2/63

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/25/63

[redacted] Milwaukee, advised he is currently employed by the Merritt Chapman and Scott Corp., working on the hospital of the Veterans Administration, Wood, Wisconsin. He stated that he obtained his job through the union and he did not pay any money to get the job and, further, he has not paid any money to remain on the job. He further advised that he has never been approached to make any payments of this type.

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[redacted] advised
that he was born [redacted]

He stated that he is presently working for Meritt, Chapman & Scott Construction Company on the Veterans Administration Buildings at Wood, Wisconsin and has been so employed for approximately [redacted]. He stated that he obtained the job through [redacted] SAM DI MAGGIO, who knows a foreman on the job named [redacted]. He stated that he is not a member of the union as yet, however, intends to join when he is able to pay the necessary \$50 initial fee.

He advised that he has paid no one to obtain the job nor to keep it, nor has been approached to do so. He advised that he has had no contact nor paid any money for any reason to JOHN TRILIEGI or SAM DI MAGGIO. He further advised that he has never heard of any employee at Wood, Wisconsin paying any money or being approached to pay any money.

On 6/25/63 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 62-1153
by SAs [redacted] & [redacted] /sbt Date dictated 7/2/63

Date July 5, 1963

[] advised that he was born [] and that he has been employed for the past [] as a laborer by Merritt, Chapman and Scott on the construction job on the Veterans Administration grounds at Wood, Wisconsin.

[] stated that he was a former member of Local 113, the General Laborers' Union, and that he is a [] SAM DiMAGGIO, who was already employed on the job. [] stated that approximately three weeks ago he contacted SAM DiMAGGIO and asked him to help him get a job and that DiMAGGIO suggested that he speak with the general foreman, JOHN TRILIEGI. [] stated he saw and spoke to TRILIEGI about the possibility of obtaining employment as a laborer on a Thursday and was advised by TRILIEGI to report the following Monday ready to go to work.

[] stated he paid no one to get the job and that he is not paying anyone to stay on the job. He stated that neither DiMAGGIO nor JOHN TRILIEGI said anything to him whatever about the payment of money to obtain or stay on the job.

[] stated that since he has obtained employment he has been contacted by another employee named [] as to whether or not he desired to rejoin the union. [] stated he advised [] he would join the union as soon as he was able to get a pay check or two.

On 6/25/63 at [] File # MI 62-1153
by SA [] and
SA WARREN J. KENNEY/cf Date dictated 7/1/63

Date July 17, 1963

On July 15, 1963 [redacted]
[redacted] advised he is presently employed in the new addition of the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin by the Merritt Chapman & Scott Corporation. He advised he had waited approximately six months to obtain employment through his union, Local 113, and started working on [redacted]. He advised he did not pay any money to get the job, had not paid any money to retain his job and further that he has never been approached in this regard. [redacted] stated he had never had any financial transactions with anyone on this present job.

On 7/15/63 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 62-1153
by SA RUSSELL D. JONES and
SA [redacted] /nek Date dictated 7/16/63

Date July 2, 1963

[redacted] advised
as follows:

He has been employed by Merritt Chapman and Scott Construction Company, Wood, Wisconsin since [redacted] of this year, having been hired by JOHN TRILIEGI. During the period of this employment at no time has he been approached for payments to hold his job or for the obtaining of his job. However, he has heard rumors to the effect that "kickbacks" have been going on, but he has no direct knowledge of any such occurring. He got the job by appearing on the scene daily until hired by TRILIEGI. He has no personal knowledge of anyone who has paid any "kickbacks".

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[redacted] advised that he has been employed for Meritt, Chapman & Scott as a laborer since [redacted]. He stated that he got his job directly through JOHN TRILIEGI the Construction Foreman, whom he has known for many years. [redacted] advised that he has never been solicited for money by JOHN TRILIEGI or anyone else in order to obtain his job or to keep his position.

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[redacted] stated that he has observed union men attempting to obtain positions with Meritt, Chapman & Scott at the Veterans Administration project for as long as two months appearing at the project almost every day. He stated he has seen other persons who will only appear at the project on one day and may not even belong to the union, but will be immediately hired. He stated, however, that it was true that Meritt, Chapman & Scott did not hire every day and on the day that they did hire, they would take anyone that happened to be there.

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[redacted] advised that he had been employed as a laborer in the construction business in Milwaukee since [redacted] and had been a member of the construction workers union that long. He stated that he was employed as a laborer for Meritt, Chapman & Scott since [redacted] and that he had obtained this job through contacting the Construction Foreman of Meritt, Chapman & Scott, one JOHN TRILIEGI. [redacted] has known JOHN TRILIEGI since 1942. [redacted] stated that it was not necessary for him to get the position through the union, but he was able to do so through contacting TRILIEGI directly because of his previous acquaintance with TRILIEGI. [redacted] stated that neither TRILIEGI or anyone else has ever solicited him for money in return for obtaining a job with Meritt, Chapman & Scott and it is not necessary for him to pay anyone out of his regular pay check in order to keep his job.

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Date July 2, 1963

[redacted] was contacted at his home. [redacted] advised that he is employed as a [redacted] at a project being built at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin, the contractor being Merritt, Chapman and Scott. He said that he first sought employment at this project from June, 1962 until September, 1962 with no success, but that during that time others who came after him were hired. In September, October and November of 1962 he secured other employment on bridge work in and around Milwaukee and then again sought employment at the Veterans Administration Hospital when this work expired in November, 1962. He began his present employment in February, 1963. He advised that he had never been asked to pay any money to JOHN TRILIEGI or anyone else at the Veterans Administration Hospital project in order to secure employment there. He stated, however, that during the period from November, 1962 until February, 1963 he would go daily to the project in an effort to secure employment and that TRILIEGI would tell him to come back later and that when he came back others would have been hired.

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He said that about two months ago on a Thursday at approximately 4:25 p.m., the day after pay day, TRILIEGI came out of one of the buildings and said in a loud voice to one [redacted] a fellow employee, [redacted] give me my money, yesterday was pay day, you should have it now," or words to that effect. He said that this apparently made [redacted] very angry and that he told TRILIEGI to wait until he got inside. [redacted] stated that he noticed this particularly because [redacted] seldom borrows money and watches his finances closely because he has quite a few bills. [redacted] said that he then followed [redacted] into the tool room where [redacted] dropped his tools and then he followed [redacted] into the main building where the offices are. [redacted] advised that at this time he noticed that [redacted] had some rolled up currency in his hand and that as [redacted] walked along he met TRILIEGI and that as their hands swung their hands met and there was a quick pass-off of the currency to TRILIEGI. [redacted] advised that he had wondered about this several times inasmuch as this did not appear to be repayment of a

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debt because of the secret manner in which the money was given to TRILIEGI.

advised that this is the only such incident that he has seen take place on the job.

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[redacted]
advised that he was born [redacted] and is employed as a laborer for Merritt, Chapman, and Scott at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin. He has been so employed since [redacted]

[redacted] stated that he is a member of local Laborers Union 113 and knows JOHN TRILIEGI and SAM DI MAGGIO. He stated that he made no payments to anyone to get his job and has made no payments to anyone since in order to keep his job, nor has he any knowledge of any other employees making such payments.

He stated that he has been in the United States since [redacted]
[redacted] He provided the above information with the aid of his cousin [redacted] who acted as interpreter.

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by SAs JOHN T. DUNN and [redacted]/ah Date dictated 6/28/63

Date July 5, 1963

[redacted] advised that he was born [redacted] and is employed as a laborer at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin, by Merritt, Chapman, and Scott. He has been so employed since [redacted] Prior to that time, he worked on the [redacted]

[redacted] is a member of local Laborers Union #113, and stated that he got his present job through JOHN TRILIEGI and knows SAM DI MAGGIO. He stated that he made no payments to anyone to get his job, and has made no payments to anyone since in order to keep his job; nor has he any knowledge of any other employees making any such payments.

[redacted] provided this information with the aid of his sister, [redacted] age [redacted] years, who acted as interpreter.

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Date July 3, 1963

[redacted] advised as follows:

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He worked for Merritt Chapman and Scott Construction Company, Wood, Wisconsin, for a period of about [redacted] until this past May when he was fired by JOHN TRILIEGI, one of the foremen on the job. TRILIEGI accused him of calling the FBI and complaining about working conditions on the job, whereupon he called TRILIEGI a vile name, telling him that he had not called anyone.. The next day TRILIEGI told him to collect his pay and leave. He didn't pay to get his job nor was he ever approached for payments and has no personal knowledge of anyone who has been paying off to get his job or to keep it.

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Date July 18, 1963

On July 16, 1963 [redacted]

[redacted] advised that he is employed by the Merritt, Chapman and Scott Company in the construction of the Veteran's Administration Hospital located at Wood, Wisconsin. He has been so employed for the past [redacted] and he obtained his job through the hiring hall of the laborer's union.

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He advised that the hiring hall had sent him to see JOHN TRILIEGI, construction foreman of Merritt, Chapman and Scott and that TRILIEGI had consented to hire him. [redacted] advised that TRILIEGI had not solicited any funds from him for giving him a job with Merritt, Chapman and Scott, and that he did not pay any money to TRILIEGI or anyone else for the position that he now holds. He also stated that he was not required to pay any money voluntarily or otherwise to anyone in order to keep this position.

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by SA [redacted] /cef Date dictated 7-18-63

Date July 5, 1963

[redacted] advised that he had been employed by Meritt, Chapman & Scott Corporation at the Veterans Administration Hospital project for approximately [redacted]. He stated that he had obtained his job as a laborer on this construction through JOHN TRILIEGI, Construction Foreman, whom he had known on other construction jobs. [redacted] had contacted TRILIEGI to obtain a job with Meritt, Chapman & Scott at which time TRILIEGI sent [redacted] to the construction workers union on Teutonia Avenue to obtain a slip showing that he was in good standing with the union and authorizing TRILIEGI to hire him. He returned this slip to TRILIEGI and was hired by TRILIEGI. [redacted] stated that at no time did JOHN TRILIEGI or any other person request any money of him for the position which he had obtained with Meritt, Chapman & Scott. He also stated that he was not required to pay anyone any amount of money out of his regular pay check in order to keep the position.

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[redacted] was contacted at his home. He advised that he is employed as a laborer at a project being built at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin, the contractor being Merritt, Chapman and Scott, and that he has been employed there for approximately one month. He stated that this was a summer employment for him and that he was to begin his college education this fall. He said that he had to wait for about six weeks to get the job but that during this time he has never been asked to pay JOHN TRILIEGI or anyone else for his employment.

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Date 6/26/63

[redacted] advised that he is currently employed at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin, by the Merritt Chapman and Scott Corp., and obtained this employment through the union. He did not pay to obtain this job, and has not paid anything to remain on the job. Further, he has not been approached to make any payments in this regard.

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and [redacted] jah Date dictated 6/26/63

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Date July 2, 1963

[redacted] advised as follows:

He has been employed by Merritt Chapman and Scott Construction Company at Wood, Wisconsin for a period of approximately [redacted]

[redacted] He was hired as a result of having been sent to the job through the local union. He was hired by JOHN TRILIEGI. At no time has he paid money to keep his job or as a result of having obtained his job nor has he been approached to do so. He has only heard rumors to the effect that some kickbacks may be occurring.

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by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] Date dictated 6/27/63
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Date July 5, 1963

[redacted] advised that he was born [redacted] and is employed as a laborer by Merritt, Chapman and Scott at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin. He stated that he has been so employed since [redacted]

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[redacted] said that he is a member of local Laborers Union 113 and that he does not know JOHN TRILIEGI or SAM DI MAGGIO. He further stated that he has made no payments to anyone either to get his job or to keep his job.

[redacted] stated that he has been in the U.S. since [redacted]. He provided the above information with the aid of his sister-in-law, [redacted] who acted as interpreter. --

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by SAs JOHN T. DUNN and [redacted] /ah Date dictated 6/23/63

July 5, 1963

Date _____

_____ advised that he is employed as a laborer by Merritt, Chapman, and Scott at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin. He has been so employed since _____. He stated he was _____

He stated that he is a member of local Laborers Union 113 and stated that he got the job through _____ who is a _____. He stated that he does not know JOHN TRILIEGI or SAM DI MAGGIO.

He stated that he made no payments to get his job and has made no payments since to keep his job. He stated that he knows of no one who has been approached for any such payments.

_____ further advised that this is a summer job for him, as he is a student at _____

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Date July 5, 1963

[redacted] advised he was born at [redacted] and that he had been employed for approximately [redacted] before the Christmas holiday of 1962 as a laborer for Merritt, Chapman and Scott on the construction job at Wood, Wisconsin. [redacted] stated that he has been a member of the union since the age of seventeen and he went out to the job site and asked the general foreman, JOHN TRILIEGI, for the job. He stated that he never paid TRILIEGI nor anyone else for the privilege of obtaining employment or for staying on the job, and as a matter of fact, he was never asked by anyone for any type of payment whatever.

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[redacted] stated that while employed by Merritt, Chapman and Scott he worked under the supervision of [redacted] and that he, [redacted] was laid off after about two weeks because of the extreme cold weather. [redacted] stated after collecting twelve weeks of unemployment compensation he obtained his present position as a laborer at [redacted]

[redacted] stated he doesn't know SAM DiMAGGIO and that he was never contacted by DiMAGGIO.

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SA WARREN J. KENNEY/ef Date dictated 7/1/63

Date 6/23/63

[redacted]
[redacted] advised he is currently employed by the Merritt Chapman and Scott Corp., working on the new addition of the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin. He advised he started this job after [redacted] and plans to work until the fall semester of college begins. He stated he obtained this job through a [redacted] and he did not pay to get the job and has never been asked for any payments to remain on the job. He stated the only payments he has made in connection with the job is money for a student application for membership in Local 113.

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Date July 8, 1963 advised:

That he has been employed for the Meritt, Chapman & Scott Construction Company at Wood, Wisconsin, for about He stated that he obtained this job only for summer work since he goes to college in the fall. He advised that he obtained the job through a friend of his father, who knows another person who is familiar with who is for Meritt, Chapman & Scott. He stated that he did not pay anyone any thing to obtain this job nor was he approached by anyone to do so. He further stated that he has not paid anyone to keep the job nor been approached to do so. He advised that he was approached by the union representative and advised that he would have to join in order to keep the job and understood that he would pay \$50 initial fee within the first few weeks of his employment. He advised that he does not know any of the other workers on the job and has never heard of anyone paying to obtain or keep a job nor being approached to do so.

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-1-Date July 3, 1963

[redacted] was contacted at his home, at which time he advised that he is employed as a laborer at Merritt, Chapman and Scott Contractors at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin. He stated he obtained a job at that construction site through JOHN TRILIEGI who is the labor foreman there. He stated that he has known TRILIEGI for a number of years and has worked with him on other jobs.

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[redacted] stated that he did not have to pay any money to obtain his job and was extremely surprised that any such allegations existed. He stated that he knew TRILIEGI as a reliable man and did not believe that he would do such a thing nor did he believe that it would be possible for him to get away with this. He stated that he had not heard any talk among any of the laborers concerning this possibility and knew nothing about it.

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Date July 8, 1963

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That he is currently employed as a [] by the Meritt, Chapman & Scott Construction Company working on the new buildings at the Veterans Administration, Wood, Wisconsin. He advised that he has been employed for approximately [] [] and that he obtained his job through the Construction Laborers Union, Local 113. He advised that he had contacted a [] who is the business agent of that union and through him obtained the job at Wood, Wisconsin. He stated that he was hired by the General Foreman on the job, JOHN TRILIEGI. He advised that he has known JOHN TRILIEGI for many years since they both grew up together on the northeast side of Milwaukee.

He stated that he is not a member of the union and was not a member of the union when he obtained the job, however, is joining the union and will pay his \$50 initial fee this coming Wednesday.

He advised that he did not pay anyone any money to obtain this job nor was he approached to do so. He advised that he had attempted to get this job for some months and finally obtained it. He advised that he is paying no one to keep this job nor has he heard of anyone paying to obtain a job at Wood nor paying to keep a job at Wood. He advised that he himself has paid no money to JOHN TRILIEGI or SAM DI MAGGIO for any reason. He stated that he did not pay to obtain a job and would not pay to obtain a job under any circumstances, since he feels that this would be dishonest.

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by SAs [redacted] & [redacted] /sbt Date dictated 7/1/63

July 9, 1963

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[redacted] advised that he was born on [redacted]

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He stated that he has been employed for approximately [redacted] by the Meritt, Chapman & Scott Construction Company at Wood, Wisconsin. He advised that he obtained his job through a [redacted] named [redacted] whom he has known for many years and is a good friend of his.

He advised that he is a long time member of the Construction Laborers Union, Local 113, however, did not get the job through the union but through [redacted]

He stated that he paid no one to obtain this job nor to keep it, nor has been approached to do so. He further advised that he has heard rumors that some employees had been paying, however, knows of no such incident of his own knowledge nor as observed any thing which would lead him to believe that this has occurred.

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by SAs [redacted] & [redacted] /sbt Date dictated 7/2/63

Date 6/25/63

[redacted] advised that he is presently employed by the Merritt Chapman and Scott Corp., working at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin and has been so employed since [redacted]. He stated he waited six months to get the job which was obtained through the union. He stated that he did not pay any money to get the job and has not paid any money to retain his job. He advised he has never been approached by anyone for any payments in this regard.

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Date June 29, 1963

[redacted] advised that he was working at the Veteran's Administration Hospital project, Woods, Wisconsin and employed by contractor Merritt, Chapman and Scott. He stated that he has been employed at that hospital for approximately [redacted] and it took him about [redacted] in order to get his job there. He advised that he was sent out to the job by [redacted] who is the business agent for local 113.

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He further advised that he knows most of the old-time men employed in the work and also knows JOHN TRILIEGI from working at the [redacted]

He further advised that he has been a laborer for eight years and stated that he has heard stories to the effect that it might be necessary to pay a sum in order to obtain a job at the hospital project where JOHN TRILIEGI is in charge of hiring. He further stated that it did seem funny in his own mind that he would appear at the job on certain days and he would see men on the job who had never been in the construction business before and yet he knew people who were good laborers who had not been able to obtain a job.

[redacted] advised that he had never paid anyone in order to obtain a job and that he did not pay JOHN TRILIEGI or anyone else at the Veteran's Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin. He also stated that he had not been asked to pay for his employment.

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by SA [redacted] SA [redacted] /cef Date dictated 6-27-63

Date 6/23/63

[redacted]
[redacted] advised he is presently working at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin, for the Merritt Chapman and Scott Corp., and has been since September, 1962. He stated he obtained this job through his brother [redacted]

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[redacted] on this project and through [redacted]
[redacted] business agent for Local 113. He stated he did not pay any money to obtain his job and has not made any payments to stay on the job, nor has he ever been approached in this regard.

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Date June 29, 1963

[redacted] was contacted at his home at which time he advised that he obtained a job at the Veteran's Administration Hospital building the new hospital, contracted by Merritt, Chapman and Scott, on [redacted]
[redacted]

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He further stated that he [redacted] and just completed his second year. He advised that he wanted a job for the summer and his father, [redacted] at the Veteran's Administration Hospital, Woods, Wisconsin, was able to get him hired at the project. He stated that the individual who hired him at the project was JOHN TRILIEGI, who was well known by his father but stated that he did not have to pay any money to TRILIEGI or anyone else in order to get the job. He stated, of course, he would not have to since his father was a [redacted] at the project and had known TRILIEGI for a number of years.

[redacted] further advised that he did not want to talk too much about the situation at the job since his father would become very angry if it were mentioned in the house and he did not think it wise to discuss the matter further.

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SA

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date July 2, 1963

advised as follows:

He has been employed with Merritt Chapman and Scott Construction Company, Wood, Wisconsin since [REDACTED] He was sent to the site of the job by his union and hired on the job by JOHN TRILIEGI. No one has approached him for money as a result of obtaining his job or to keep his job.

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Date July 8, 1963

[redacted] was interviewed
at his home and [redacted]

age [redacted]

[redacted] advised that he has been in the U.S. approximately [redacted]. He advised that he is employed by the Meritt, Chapman & Scott Construction Company working at Wood, Wisconsin and has been so employed for approximately [redacted]. He stated that to obtain the job he went out to Wood, Wisconsin and asked JOHN the foreman for the job. JOHN sent him to the union office which he believes was the construction laborers union and [redacted] signed up for the union. He then returned to Wood and was hired by JOHN to work for Meritt, Chapman & Scott. He advised that he paid \$25 from his first pay check to the union business agent as half of his initial fee of \$50. He is to pay the other \$25 next week. He stated that he paid no one at Wood or anyone else to obtain the job nor is paying anyone else to keep the job. He advised that he has never heard of anyone paying to obtain a job nor paying to keep it, however, since he speaks no English cannot talk to most of the other employees on the job.

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Date July 5, 1963

[redacted] advised as follows:

In the early part of 1963 he was hired as a laborer by JOHN TRILIEGI. He was assigned to the Veterans Administration hospital at Wood, Wisconsin, which construction is being handled by the Herritt, Chapman, and Scott Construction Co. He stated that he has known JOHN TRILIEGI for a number of years and has found him a hard, rugged worker. At no time, however, has he ever heard that TRILIEGI has demanded funds to give a man a job or asked for kickbacks in order for a man to retain his job.

[redacted] stated he was fired by TRILIEGI because they did not see eye-to-eye. In spite of the fact that he dislikes TRILIEGI, he does not believe any rumors to the effect that TRILIEGI sold jobs or requested kickbacks from his subordinates.

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Date July 2, 1963

[redacted] advised
as follows:

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He has been employed with Merritt Chapman and Scott Construction Company at Wood, Wisconsin for a period of about [redacted] He is a member of the local union and was hired by JOHN TRILIEGI. He has not been approached for payment as a result of obtaining his job nor for monetary favors to hold his job. He has heard, however, rumors that jobs have been bought.

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Date July 5, 1963

[redacted] advised that he was employed as a laborer for Meritt, Chapman & Scott on the VA Hospital project and that he had been so employed since [redacted]. He stated that he had been hired by JOHN TRILIEGI the Construction Foreman, whom he has known for many years and that he has not had to pay JOHN TRILIEGI or anyone else to either obtain his job or to keep it.

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Date July 5, 1963

[redacted] advised that he was employed as a laborer for Meritt, Chapman & Scott at the Veterans Administration Hospital project and he had been so employed since [redacted]. He advised that he obtained his job through JOHN TRILIEGI, Construction Foreman, whom he has known from other construction jobs and that he has not been forced to pay TRILIEGI or anyone else to either obtain his job or to keep his job.

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by SAs [redacted] & [redacted] Date dictated 6/28/63

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[redacted] advised that he was born [redacted] and that he was formerly employed as a laborer by Merritt, Chapman and Scott on the construction project at Wood, Wisconsin. [redacted] stated that in March, 1963, he was seeking employment and reported almost every morning for about a week at the site and contacted JOHN TRILIEGI and [redacted] for a job. After about a week TRILIEGI told him to sign in and thereafter he worked for approximately two and a half weeks when he quit of his own accord. [redacted] stated he has been in the construction field all his life and that he belonged to Local 113 of the General Laborers' Union for approximately six years. He stated he quit his job only because he didn't enjoy working at the site and he was able to obtain employment in a more enjoyable job with the [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that he never gave anyone any money or anything else of value to obtain his job at Merritt, Chapman and Scott, and that he was never contacted by TRILIEGI or anyone else for any payments of any kind. [redacted] stated that he did hear rumors on the job that some fellows had paid to get on the job, but in all honesty he has never heard any specific information indicating that anyone did pay to get on the job.

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SA WARREN J. KENNEY/cf

Date July 3, 1963

[] advised that he obtained his present job as laborer for Merritt-Chapman and Scott at the construction of the Veterans Administration Hospital at Woods, Wisconsin, about eight or nine months previously. He had been a member of the Laborers Union, Local 113, for about the past three years and had obtained his job through his union membership and through inquiry at the union hall, not through the offices of any friend on the job.

[] said he had no definite information regarding any "paybacks" which might have been made by the Merritt-Chapman and Scott laborers to persons such as labor foremen to get or hold their jobs there. He recalled having overheard some unemployed workers in line at the union hall during the winter months of early 1963 making some such comments, generally to the effect that one had to "pay back" part of his wages to get a job there. But he said he had no further information about such "paybacks."

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[] confessed it seemed strange to him that, unlike the policy on other jobs for laborers, the policy at the Veterans Administration Hospital seemed to be to hire "the flunkies" first. Normally the policy was to hire, at the beginning of a job, the skilled and experienced laborers and then, as needed, the unskilled and untrained laborers.

[] was one of the first laborers at the Veterans Administration Hospital construction. He was struck by the number of persons of Italian extraction, by the number of Negroes, and the number of Italian immigrants unable to speak English who were among those originally hired. They were not experienced workers.

[] also said that JOHN TRILIEGI, general labor foreman, was feared by the Italian immigrants and the colored men who worked for him. In the labor shanty on the construction site the talk among the men usually was active, loud, and aggressive. When TRILIEGI made an entrance there, however, talk dramatically subsided in both volume and agitation.

[] said he did not know why the men feared TRILIEGI. He himself had no cause to be afraid of him.

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emphasized that he had never paid anyone anything to get or keep his job and no one had suggested to him that he do so.

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[redacted]
[redacted] advised that he was currently the [redacted]
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member of the Building Laborers Union, Local 113, a local union which belonged to that council. In that capacity, he said, he had heard "rumors" of various "payoffs" made by laborers on construction at the Marine Plaza about a year ago to others on the job, in payment for getting their jobs or for keeping them. He said, however, he could not remember the source of those "rumors."

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To some extent the "rumors" applied also to the present construction of the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, Wisconsin, but [redacted] believed that the "rumors" there consisted of "an overflow of talk" which originated at the time of the Plaza construction.

However, he admitted that his own son, [redacted] currently a laborer at the Veterans Administration Hospital at Wood, told him several months ago that there was a "payoff" there. But when [redacted] questioned [redacted] about the facts of the matter, [redacted] too, had not been specific and [redacted] "could not pin the rumors down."

The "rumors" applied to the labor foreman whose first name was JOHN. That foreman was of Italian extraction and [redacted] said he understood that some of the laborers under JOHN had "a blood relationship" to JOHN.

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by SAs [redacted] & [redacted] /lmp Date dictated 6/27/63

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[redacted] advised that he was born [redacted] and since [redacted] has been employed as [redacted] for Merritt, Chapman and Scott Corporation at Wood, Wisconsin.

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[redacted] stated that it is his sole responsibility to advise when and how many men must be hired on the construction job and usually he advises JOHN TRILIEGI, the General Labor Foreman, or the Business Agent of Local 113 on a daily basis. [redacted] stated that 75% of all laborers hired at the site have referral slips from Local 113 at the time they report at the construction site, which means simply that they are members of the union or have satisfied the union that they have an intention to join. [redacted] stated that he then signs all hiring slips after they are referred to him by JOHN TRILIEGI.

[redacted] stated that he knows of no incidents concerning alleged payoffs for obtaining jobs or for kickbacks of any kind and that he first learned of the so-called payoffs after the FBI had started to make inquiries at Wood, Wisconsin. [redacted] stated emphatically that he had never had anyone pay him or offer to pay him to give him a job and that he knows of no one who has accepted money to give another employment at the site. [redacted] stated within the last few weeks Local 113 has designated a new Business Agent and the new policy for hiring is to call Union headquarters whenever labor is required and only those individuals are hired who are referred by the union at that time.

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JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI, after being advised that he did not have to make any statement, that any statement made might be used against him in a court of law and of his right to legal counsel, furnished the following information:

TRILIEGI stated that he was born May 29, 1914 at Omaha, Nebraska and that he presently resides with his wife and children at 2933 North Maryland Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. TRILIEGI stated that he has since July 1, 1962 been employed at the Veterans Administration site at Wood, Wisconsin as a General Labor Foreman by the construction firm of Merritt, Chapman and Scott. TRILIEGI stated that as General Foreman he has numerous duties and that it was customary for him after learning how many men were required from day to day to assist in the hiring of laborers. TRILIEGI stated that up until a few weeks ago the usual procedure was that Local 113 Business Agent [redacted] would come to the construction site and ask what the needs were with regard to labor there. TRILIEGI stated that he would tell him and that [redacted] would then indicate those men who should be hired. TRILIEGI stated that this is known as referral from the union and that he never hired anyone at the site unless [redacted] indicated either in person or over the phone that it was O.K. to hire a particular individual. TRILIEGI said that he has, of course, referred some of his friends as well as his relatives, namely his sons [redacted] and [redacted] as well as his son-in-laws, [redacted] and [redacted] to [redacted] who O.K.'d their hiring for labor jobs at the site. TRILIEGI stated that he has heard rumors about payoffs at the site but he has never paid any attention to them. He denied specifically that he had ever received payment from anyone for the obtaining of a job or received money from an individual to stay on the job and stated emphatically that he was never approached and offered money to obtain employment for anyone. TRILIEGI stated that he did recall several colored men whose identities he does not know offered to furnish him with "a girl" if he would get them a job but he laughed them away.

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TRILIEGI denied specifically that SAM DI MAGGIO ever collected money for him from anyone to obtain employment at the site or to remain on the job. TRILIEGI stated that the rumors concerning job payoffs might have arisen from the misunderstanding about the \$50 payment to join the General Laborers Union. TRILIEGI

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stated that those individuals who are not members of the union at the time they start work on the job, although O.K.'d by the union office or [redacted] are required to pay enrollment dues of about \$50 and oftentimes are given several months to pay the total amount. TRILIEGI stated that he has never collected union dues money or initiation fee from anyone. TRILIEGI stated that he would be willing to testify to the aforementioned information.

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The following physical description was obtained through observation and interview:

Name:	JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI
Age:	49
Born:	May 20, 1914 Omaha, Nebraska
Height:	5'6"
Weight:	175 lbs.
Build:	Muscular
Eyes:	Brown
Hair:	Gray and curly
Marital Status:	Married
Wife:	[redacted]
Residence:	2933 North Maryland Avenue Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Education:	Elementary school
Occupation:	Labor foreman
Social Security #:	395-01-1688
Scars & Marks:	Vertical scar 8" long on left leg

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The following Identification Record concerning JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI was furnished by the FBI Identification Division under FBI Number 1 868 580 on May 23, 1963:

<u>Contributor of Fingerprints</u>	<u>Name & Number</u>	<u>Arrested or Received</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
PD, Milwaukee, Wis.	John Barilter Triliegi #24528	4-4-32	vio. NPA	turned over to Fed. Off. 4-5-33
PD, Milwaukee, Wis.	John Barilter Triliegi #24528	10-24-39	statutory rape	5 yrs. prob. & costs 10-24-39
PD, West Allis, Wis.	John Babptist Triliegi #AC-3275	applicant for position 1-21-42		
SOS, War Dept.	John Battista Triliegi #105-MBW	laborer 5-11-42		
PD, Milwaukee, Wis.	John Battista Triliegi #24528	9-30-43	inmate gambling house	\$10 and costs 10-29-43
PD, Milwaukee, Wis.	John Barilter Triliegi #24528	3-28-46	inmate gambling house	3-28-46, rel.
PD, Appleton, Wis.	John Baptist Triliegi #1155	6-11-47	inv.	Lic was ref for peddling inf grade of soap - ordered out of town by chief. 6-11-47
PD, Milwaukee, Wis.	John Battista Triliegi #24528	6-18-50	disorderly cond.	dism. 7-25-50

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USM, Milwaukee Wis.	John B. Trilliegi #124-A	3-18-52	consp to trans stolen Sec.	comm to Milwaukee Co Jail Bond \$50,000
PD, Milwaukee, Wis.	John Batista Trilliegi #24528	7-7-52	Safe Keeping (burg)	TOT Fed Auth
USM, Reno, Nev.	John B. Trilliegi #6832	7-20-52	NSPA	9-18-52 case missed by the court
PD, Reno, Nev.	John Baptist Trilliegi #27091	7-21-52	Hld enroute (burg)	rel USM
SP, Carson City, Nev.	John B. Trilliegi #6272	9-19-52	burg in daytime	1-5 yrs.
PD, Milwaukee, Wis.	John Bapdist Trilliegi #24528	10-3-55	Inv	10-4-55 Released
SO, Milwaukee, Wis.	John Battista Trilliegi #9313	6-30-59	illegitimacy	
SOS, Army	John R. Trilliegi #88 MAS 448	Appl 5-25-42		

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After being advised that he did not have to make any statement and that any statement made might be used against him in a court of law and of his right to legal counsel, SAMUEL SALVATORE DI MAGGIO furnished the following information:

DI MAGGIO stated that he was born August 16, 1916 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin and presently resides at 1536 North Franklin Place, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He stated that since November of 1962 he has been employed as a laborer by Merritt, Chapman and Scott on the construction site at Wood, Wisconsin and is presently paid at the rate of \$3.23 per hour. He stated that he is presently working under a labor foreman known to him only as [redacted] and that he has belonged to Local 113 since 1939. He pointed out that he even paid his dues in the union while he was serving time at the Wisconsin State Prison. DI MAGGIO stated that he was released from the Wisconsin State Prison on parole August 1, 1962 and that he had been sent there in 1957 to serve a 10-year term for safe burglary in Milwaukee County and an additional 5 years for burglary from Washington County, Wisconsin. He stated that he was released under the supervision of Probation Officer [redacted] but that he is presently reporting to a probation officer by the name of [redacted]

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DI MAGGIO stated that he worked on several construction jobs since his release from Waupun, including Voss and Hrdlicka and the Stephenson Construction Company and in November of 1962 when seeking employment he went to the union asking for work and he was referred to the construction site at the Veterans Administration grounds at Wood, Wisconsin. Upon reporting there DI MAGGIO stated he was hired by JOHN TRILIEGI and that he has been on the job ever since the date he was hired.

DI MAGGIO stated that he never approached anyone in his behalf, in TRILIEGI's behalf or in anyone else's behalf seeking money for an opportunity for employment. DI MAGGIO stated that similarly he never received money for himself, TRILIEGI or anyone else as a payoff to have an employee stay on the job. DI MAGGIO stated that he readily admits to being a safe burglar and that he would never stoop to taking payoffs from anyone and that he never shook anybody down in his life. DI MAGGIO stated that he still has eight years to serve if his parole is revoked and that he

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doesn't intend to get mixed up in anything as trivial as job payoffs. DI MAGGIO stated further that while there may be other parolees working on the job site he knows of no such individuals and that he has kept pretty much to himself although at his suggestion his cousins, namely [] and [] [] also obtained jobs at the construction site. He stated that he has never heard rumors concerning any kickbacks or job payoffs until he read with some interest of the allegations in the local newspapers.

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The following description was obtained through observation and interview:

Name:	SAMUEL SALVATORE DI MAGGIO
Age:	47
Born:	August 16, 1916
	Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Address:	1536 North Franklin Place
	Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Marital Status:	Married
Wife:	[]
Occupation:	Laborer, butcher and pizza cook
Height:	5'7"
Weight:	155 lbs.
Eyes:	Brown
Hair:	Black - graying
Complexion:	Ruddy
Relatives:	Father - CARLO DI MAGGIO
	retired butcher

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The following Identification Record concerning SAMUEL SALVATORE DI MAGGIO was obtained February 5, 1963 from the FBI Identification Division under FBI Number 972 204:

<u>Contributor of Fingerprints</u>	<u>Name & Number</u>	<u>Arrested or Received</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
PD, Milwaukee, Wis.	Samuel DiMaggio #R-4771	6-7-35	inv	
PD, Milwaukee, Wis.	Samuel DiMaggio #28103	8-16-35	dis con	\$10 & costs 8-17-35
Sref, Green Bay, Wis.	Samuel DiMaggio #9722	9-27-35	rape (2 cts & sodomy)	1-3 yrs on each ct concurr 7-22-37 par 1-10-38 disc par
PD, Milwaukee, Wis.	Samuel DiMaggio #28103	10-6-38	larc	6 mos prob 10-7-38
SP, Waupun, Wis.	Salvatore DiMaggio #26132	1-25-41	larc 2nd of 2 cts	2 terms 1-2 yrs conc 7-23-42 par 10-13-42 final dis
Commanding General Services of Supply US Army, Wash DC	Sam S. DiMaggio #88-AE-956	applicant for laborer 10-14-42		
PD, Milwaukee, Wis.	Samuel Salvator DiMaggio #28103	8-1-45	burg (3rd off)	4-1-46 not guilty
PD, Waukesha, Wis.	Sam Salvatore DiMaggio #2218	7-30-48	susp	TOT Milwaukee, Wis. PD

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PD, Milwaukee, Wis.	Samuel DiMaggio #28103	7-30-48	larc	dism 8-6-48
SP, Waupun, Wis.	Sam Salvatore DiMaggio #32109	4-20-51	burg 3rd offense	1-3 yrs 4-21-52 relsd on parole 8-24-53 final discharge
PD, Milwaukee, Wis.	Sam Salvatore DiMaggio #28103	2-5-55	resist an officer	
PD, Milwaukee, Wis.	Samuel Di Maggio #28103	5-31-56	not given	
SO, Milwaukee, Wis.	Salvatore Sam DiMaggio #5994	2-26-57	warrant burg Wash Co	
SP, Waupun, Wis.	Samuel Di Maggio #36317	7-18-57	burg & poss of burg tools	10 yrs & 3 yrs conc
PD, Milwaukee, Wis.	Samuel Salvatore DiMaggio #28103	9-3-56	burg, poss of burg tools	7-17-57 /c Cir Ct burg, 10 yrs, PBT, 3 yrs Wis St Prison, Waupun
SPr, Waupun, Wis.	Samuel DiMaggio #36317	FP 3-5-58	burg 943.10(1)	Circuit Court Wash Co 5 yrs consecutively rel on par 8-1-62

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To: SAC, Milwaukee (62-1153)

From: Director, FBI (62-8466)

SAMUEL SALVATORE DI MAGGIO, ET AL.
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(OO: Milwaukee)

Advise Bureau by return airtel of results of your discussion with the U. S. Attorney's Office concerning investigation conducted to date as contained in your report of 7/22/68. In the event the U. S. Attorney furnishes the opinion that additional investigation is justified, include in your airtel specifics concerning action contemplated by your office.

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SUBJECT: SAMUEL SALVATORE DI MAGGIO, ET AL.
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Re Bureau airtel 8/6/63.

For the Bureau's further information, this is to advise that on August 1, 1963 the facts as set forth in the report of SA WARREN J. KENNEY dated 7/22/63 were discussed with USA JAMES B. BRENNAN, EDW. Mr. BRENNAN advised that he has not had an opportunity to completely review the referenced report and, therefore, was not in a position to advise as to his prosecutive opinion. However, Mr. BRENNAN stated that in view of the fact that the investigation was instituted at the request of Chief, Fraud Section, Criminal Division, Department of Justice, he, BRENNAN, would not render a prosecutive opinion until clearing with the Department. Mr. BRENNAN stated that he would advise the Milwaukee Office when he has decided as to what further action should be taken and stated that he had no investigative suggestions at the present time.

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		CHARACTER OF CASE KICKBACK RACKET ACT	

REFERENCES

Report of SA WARREN J. KENNEY dated 7/22/63 at Milwaukee;
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Copy to: 1 - USA, Milwaukee

Report of: SA WARREN J. KENNEY
Date: August 30, 1963

Office: Milwaukee

Field Office File #: MI 62-1153

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Title: SAMUEL SALVATORE DI MAGGIO;
JOHN BATTISTA TRILIEGI

Character: KICKBACK RACKET ACT

Synopsis: USA declines prosecution.

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DETAILS: AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

On August 1, 1963 JAMES B. BRENNAN, United States Attorney, Eastern District of Wisconsin, advised that he was not in a position to furnish his prosecutive opinion in view of the fact that he had not had an opportunity to completely review the facts in the case and pointed out that he could not authorize prosecution without clearing with the Fraud Section of the Criminal Division inasmuch as the investigation was instituted at the request of [redacted] Chief of the Fraud Section.

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When recontacted on August 30, 1963 Mr. BRENNAN advised that he was declining prosecution against Subjects DI MAGGIO and TRILIEGI inasmuch as the investigation did not corroborate the information furnished by the principal witness. Mr. BRENNAN stated that the only witness who furnished information indicating a violation was a convict and that the numerous other employees failed to substantiate the information furnished.

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